³Ηχος α΄. Δευτέρα Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Τὰ πάντα παρήγαγες, τῷ σῷ, Λόγῳ καὶ τῷ Πνεύματι, δι' ἀγαθότητα Κύριε· εἶτα πεποίηκας, λογικόν με ζῶον, ἵνα σου τὸ ἄγιον, δοξάζω Παντοδύναμε ὄνομα· ἐγὼ δὲ μάλιστα, τοῖς αἰσχροῖς μου ἔργοις πάντοτε, ἀτιμάζω, ἀλλὰ φεῖσαι δέομαι.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Γνῶθί σου ταλαίπωρε ψυχή, τὴν θείαν εὐγένειαν, καὶ τὴν πατρίδα τὴν ἄφθαρτον, καὶ σπεῦδε πάντοτε, ἀγαθοεργίαις, ταύτην καταλήψασθαι· μηδέν σε τῶν φθαρτῶν προσηλώσειε, τῆς ἄνω μοίρας εἶ, τὸ δὲ σῶμα γῆ, καὶ φθείρεται· μὴ νικήσῃ τὸ χεῖρον τὴν κρείττονα.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Δεῦρο παναθλία μου ψυχή, πρὸς τὸν Υπεράγαθον, θερμοῖς τοῖς δάκρυσι πρόσελθε, τὰ πεπραγμένα σοι, πρὸ τῆς κρίσεώς σου, πάντα ἐξαγόρευσον, καὶ ἵλεων τὸν Κτίστην ταλαίπωρε, σαυτῆ ἀπέργασαι, καὶ συγχώρησιν ἐξαίτησαι, πρὶν τὴν θύραν κλείση σοι ὁ Κύριος.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Άσώματοι Άγγελοι Θεοῦ, θρόνῳ παριστάμενοι, καὶ ταῖς ἐκεῖθεν ἐλλάμψεσιν καταστραπτόμενοι, καὶ φωτοχυσίαις αἰωνίως λάμποντες, καὶ φῶτα χρηματίζοντες δεύτερα,

Mode 1. Monday Sticheron 1.

O Lord, in Your goodness by Your Word * and Your Spirit You brought forth all things, and then You created me the living being whom * You endowed with reason * so that I should glorify * Your holy name, O Master allpowerful. And yet instead, alas! * I dishonor You continually * with my foul deeds. * O spare me, I supplicate.

Sticheron 2.

Come to know, O miserable soul, * your divine nobility and incorruptible fatherland, and hasten constantly, * through good deeds and virtues, * to possess it once again. * Become attached to nothing corruptible. Your lot is there on high, * but your body, being earth, decays. * Let the worse not * prevail over the better part.

Sticheron 3.

Sticheron 4.

O bodiless Messengers of God, * you stand near His throne on high, * from there receiving the flashes of divine and brilliant light, * eternally glowing * with with the uncreated light, * and thus you have become secondary lights. * Please intercede with Christ

Χριστῷ πρεσβεύσατε, δωρηθῆναι ταῖς ψυχαῖς ἡμῶν, τὴν εἰρήνην καὶ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Άθάνατοι Άγγελοι ζωήν, ὄντως τὴν ἀνώλεθρον, παρὰ τῆς πρώτης δεξάμενοι, ζωῆς πανόλβιοι, ἀϊδίου δόξης, καὶ σεπτοὶ θεάμονες, σοφίας ἀϊδίου γεγόνατε, φωτός πληρούμενοι καὶ λαμπάδες συστρεφόμεναι, ἀρμοζόντως, ἐπαναδεικνύμενοι.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Άρχάγγελοι, Άγγελοι, Άρχαί, Θρόνοι, Κυριότητες, τὰ Σεραφεὶμ ἑξαπτέρυγα, καὶ πολυόμματα, Χερουβεὶμ τὰ θεῖα, τῆς σοφίας ὄργανα, Δυνάμεις, Ἐξουσίαι θειόταται, Χριστῷ πρεσβεύσατε, δωρηθῆναι ταῖς ψυχαῖς ἡμῶν, τὴν εἰρήνην καὶ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

³Ηχος α΄. Τρίτη Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Άμαρτημάτων πελάγει περιαντλούμενος, καὶ ἐν βυθῷ πταισμάτων, συνεχόμενος ὅλως, βοῶ σοι τῷ Δεσπότη· Τῶν χαλεπῶν, καὶ ποικίλων με λύτρωσαι, πειρατηρίων τοῦ βίου, καὶ τοῦ πυρὸς τοῦ ἀσβέστου, Ὑπεράγαθε.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Βεβυθισμένος ὑπάρχων ἐξ ἀπογνώσεως, καὶ πονηρίας πλήρης, λογισμῶν ἐναντίων, πρὸς σέ μου τὰς ἐλπίδας, Λόγε Θεοῦ,

* and beseech Him that He grant our souls * His surpassing * peace and His great mercy.

Sticheron 5.

O Angels, immortal as you are, * having now indeed received * the life of glory eternal that is indestructible * from God who is first life, * you are seers who behold * the Wisdom that abides to eternity; * and being filled with light * you are properly described to be * blazing torches, * united with hosts on high.

Sticheron 6.

O Angels, Archangels and the Thrones,

* Powers and Authorities, and you, O sixwinged Seraphim, and many-eyed divine *
instruments of wisdom * Cherubim, and most
divine Dominions, and sublime Principalities:
Please intercede with Christ * and beseech
Him that He grant our souls * His surpassing *
peace and His great mercy.

Mode 1. Tuesday Sticheron 1.

I am engulfed by the ocean of my iniquities, * and overwhelmed completely * by the sea of transgressions. * I cry to You the Master: Deliver me * from the various difficult * trials of life and temptations, O gracious Lord, * and the fire that will never end.

Sticheron 2.

Being immersed in the deep of despair and hopelessness, * replete with thoughts of evil * and with negative feelings, * in You alone, O Logos of God, have I * the most wretched one set my hopes. * From the assaults of my

άνεθέμην ὁ ἄθλιος, ἀπὸ ἐχθρῶν ἀοράτων, καὶ ὁρατῶν, ἐπιθέσεώς με λύτρωσαι.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Κατοικτειρήσας ὁ Κτίστης ἄπαν τὸ ποίημα, διὰ φιλανθρωπίας, καὶ ἀφάτου πτωχείας, ὁ αἴρων τὴν τοῦ κόσμου, Λόγε Θεοῦ, ὰμαρτίαν ὡς εὔσπλαγχνος, ἆρον κἀμοῦ τὸ φορτίον, καὶ τὸν κλοιόν, τὸν βαρύτατον ἐλάφρυνον.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Προφῆτα θαυμάσιε Χριστοῦ, Βαπτιστὰ καὶ Πρόδρομε, τὴν ξηρανθεῖσαν καρδίαν μου, τοῖς ἀτοπήμασι, ποταμοὺς δακρύων, ἀενάως ποίησον, προχέειν δυσωπῶ σε πρεσβείαις σου, ὅπως σωζόμενος, διὰ σοῦ ὁ πολυώδυνος, μεγαλύνω τὸν σὲ μεγαλύναντα.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Προφῆτα μακάριε πρὸς σέ, τὰς ἐλπίδας πάσας μου, καὶ τὴν ζωὴν ἀνατίθημι, τῆς προσδοκίας μου, ὁ Χριστὸν βαπτίσας, Ἰησοῦν τὴν ἄβυσσον, τὸν αἴροντα τοῦ κόσμου τὰ πταίσματα, τοῦτον ἱκέτευε, Ἰωάννη τὴν καρδίαν μου, δυσωπῶ σε, καθᾶραι καὶ σῶσαί με.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Ό κήρυξ τῆς χάριτος Χριστοῦ, ὁ πᾶσι μετάνοιαν, προκαταγγείλας τοῖς ἔθνεσι, τὴν παναθλίαν μου, καὶ πεπωρωμένην, ψυχήν, θεῖε Πρόδρομε, προσμένειν μετανοίᾳ εὐόδωσον, καὶ τὰ θελήματα, τοῦ Κυρίου πράττειν πάντοτε, ἵνα πίστει καὶ πόθω δοξάζω σε.

visible and unseen * vicious enemies deliver me.

Sticheron 3.

Sticheron 4.

O Baptist and Forerunner of Christ, * I implore you fervently. * By your entreaties induce my heart that has been withered up * through unseemly conduct, * to incessantly pour out * a stream of tears, O wonderful Prophet John; that having gained through you * my salvation, I who am distressed * may give glory * to Him who has glorified you.

Sticheron 5.

Sticheron 6.

³Ηχος α΄. Τετάρτη Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Παλάμας ἀχράντους σου Χριστέ, ξύλου ἤπλωσας, καὶ τοὺς δακτύλους ἡμάτωσας, θέλων λυτρώσασθαι, τῶν θείων χειρῶν σου, τὸ ἔργον φιλάνθρωπε, Ἀδὰμ τὸν παραβάσει κρατούμενον, εἰς τὰ βασίλεια, τοῦ θανάτου, ὃν καὶ ἤγειρας, ἐξουσίᾳ τῇ παντοδυνάμῳ σου.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Σταυρῷ προσηλούμενος Χριστέ, ὁ Θεὸς ὡς ἄνθρωπος, ἀνθρώπων φύσιν ἐθέωσας, καὶ τὸν ἀρχέκακον, θανατώσας ὄφιν, ἡμᾶς ἠλευθέρωσας, ἀρᾶς τῆς ἐκ τοῦ ξύλου ὡς εὔσπλαγχνος, ἀρὰ γενόμενος, καὶ τῷ Κόσμῳ παρεχόμενος, εὐλογίαν, καὶ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Ό πάσης ἐπέκεινα τιμῆς, χρηματίζων Δέσποτα, ἀτιμασθῆναι ηὐδόκησας, τὸν ἐπονείδιστον, ὑποστὰς Οἰκτίρμον, ἐν τῷ ξύλῳ θάνατον, δι' οὖ ἀθανασίαν ἐτρύγησε, γένος ἀνθρώπινον, καὶ ζωὴν τὴν πρὶν ἀπείληφε, σοῦ θανόντος, σαρκὶ παντοδύναμε.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Όδύνης με λύτρωσαι πικρᾶς, τῶν ποδῶν μου Πάναγνε, καὶ τῶν γονάτων παρέσεως, ἄρθρων τε θραύσεως, καὶ ἁρμῶν χειρῶν τε, καὶ ποδῶν ἐκλύσεως, καὶ βλάβης διαφόρων ῥευμάτων δέ, ἐν πᾶσι τούτοις με, ἀκηλίδωτον

Mode 1. Wednesday Sticheron 1.

You stretched out Your undefiled hands * on the Cross, O Christ our God, * and stained your fingers with blood, thus wishing to redeem the work * of Your own divine hands, * Adam who was being held * a hostage in the kingdom of death because of disobedience; * and You raised him in Your love for man, * by Your sovereign * almighty authority.

Sticheron 2.

O Christ, You were nailed unto the Cross * as a man, and yet as God * You deified human nature; and when You had put to death * the arch-evil serpent, * You released us from the curse * that issued from the tree, for You had yourself become a curse, O Lord; * and You grant Your blessing to the world * and great mercy, * for You are compassionate.

Sticheron 3.

Sticheron 4.

φυλάττουσα, έν ἀγάπη, τοῦ Θεοῦ καὶ πλάστου μου.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Ύπέκυψα πάθεσι δεινοῖς, ὁ δεινὸς καὶ πέπραχα, αἰσχύνης ἔργα πανάσωτα, ἐξ ὧν καὶ ἔτι νῦν, φαντασίαι τούτων, καὶ αἰσχρὰ μὲ εἴδωλα, κλονοῦσιν, ἀλλοιοῦσι, καὶ τρέπουσι, πρὸς ἡδυπάθειαν, τῶν αὐτῶν ἐν τῆ αἰσθήσει μου, τῆς καρδίας, ἀλλὰ σύ με σῶσον, Άγνή.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Ό βίος μου, Πάναγνε, πολλῶν, πειρασμῶν ἀνάπλεως, ἐκ τῶν πολλῶν κακῶν γέγονεν, ὧν ἐπλημμέλησα, ἀλλὰ σὺ κἀκείνων, καὶ τούτων με λύτρωσαι, καὶ δός μοι νῦν καὶ βίον ἀπρόσκοπον, καὶ λόγον σώφρονα, ἵνα πίστει μακαρίζω σε, καὶ δοξάζω τὸ θεῖόν σου ὄνομα.

Ήχος α΄. Πέμπτη Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Άπόστολοι ἔνδοξοι Χριστοῦ, μαθηταὶ θεόκλητοι, τῆς οἰκουμένης διδάσκαλοι, εὑρόντες Κύριον, τὸν Θεοῦ μεσίτην, καὶ ἀνθρώπων πέλοντα, αὐτῷ θεοπρεπῶς ἐκολλήθητε, καὶ ὡς Θεὸν αὐτόν, καὶ ὡς ἄνθρωπον παντέλειον, ἐν τῷ κόσμῳ σαφῶς ἐκηρύξατε.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Άπόστολοι πάνσοφοι ψυχῆς, τῆς ἐμῆς τὴν ἄνοιαν, ἀποτινάξαι πρεσβεύσατε, ὡς χρηματίσαντες, τῆς σοφίας ὄντως, μύσται καὶ ἐκφάντορες, τὸ φῶς τοῦ Παρακλήτου

Sticheron 5.

To terrible passions I succumbed; * for, being a terrible * delinquent, I had committed deeds most shameful and depraved. * And the lurid idols * of these acts and fantasies * within my sensing heart still unsettle me and alter me and turn * my volition towards enjoyment of * sinful pleasure. * But save me, O Virgin pure.

Sticheron 6.

Mode 1. Thursday Sticheron 1.

O glorious Apostles of Christ * and Disciples called by God, inspired teachers of all the world, when you had found the Lord * as the mediator between God and man, you cleaved * to Him in such a manner appropriate to His divinity. * And you preached Him to the universe * to be God and * manifestly perfect man.

Sticheron 2.

O wisest Apostles of the Lord, * intercede on my behalf, * that I might shake off the mindlessness of my bedarkened soul. * You indeed are wisdom's * mystics and ἀνάψαντες, καὶ καταπρήσαντες, τὸ σαθρὸν τῆς διανοίας μου, μακαρίζειν ὑμᾶς ἀξιώσατε.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Θεόπται Ἀπόστολοι ψυχήν, τὴν ἐμὴν φωτίσατε, ἐσκοτισμένην τοῖς πάθεσιν, οἱ τὸν περίγειον, διδαχαῖς ἐνθέοις, κόσμον καταυγάσαντες, καὶ σκότος τῶν εἰδώλων μειώσαντες, καὶ νῦν πρεσβεύσατε, δωρηθῆναι ταῖς ψυχαῖς ἡμῶν, τὴν εἰρήνην καὶ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Τῆς Ἐκκλησίας τὰ ἄνθη περιϊπτάμενος, ὡς νεοσσὸς τῆς ἄνω, καλιᾶς τῶν Ἁγγέλων, Νικόλαε τρισμάκαρ, κράζεις ἀεί, πρὸς τὸν Θεὸν ὑπὲρ πάντων ἡμῶν, τῶν ἐν ἀνάγκαις κινδύνων καὶ πειρασμῶν, καὶ λυτροῦσαι ταῖς πρεσβείαις σου.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Τῶν ἀθεάτων τὰ κάλλη περιερχόμενος, τὴν φοβερὰν ἁγίων, κατενόησας δόξαν, Ἅγιε ἐκείνην· ὅθεν ἡμῖν, τὰ οὐράνια λόγια, τῶν ἀειζώων ἐκείνων θεωριῶν, ἐμφανίζεις ἱερώτατε.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Τῆς ἱερᾶς διπλοίδος τὴν ὡραιότητα, ταῖς πρακτικαὶς εἰργάσω, ἀρεταῖς λαμπροτέραν, Πάτερ θεοφόρε· ὅθεν ἡμῖν, ἱερουργεῖς τὰ τεράστια, τῶν ἀοιδίμων ἐκείνων θεωριῶν, τῶν δεινῶν ἡμᾶς λυτρούμενος.

interpreters; * for you have lit the light of the Paraclete. And once you burn away * the corruption that is in my mind, * count me worthy * to praise you and call you blest.

Sticheron 3.

Sticheron 4.

As you are hovering over the flowers of the Church, * being yourself a fledgling * of the nest of the Angels, * O Nicholas thrice blessed, you ever cry * unto God on behalf of all * who in temptations and perils invoke your aid; * and you rescue them by fervent prayers.

Sticheron 5.

Sticheron 6.

Ήχος α΄. Παρασκευὴ Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Ξύλῳ τὸ πρὶν ὁ Προπάτωρ, θανάτου γεύεται, ξύλῳ δὲ νῦν τιμίῳ, πᾶς πιστὸς ἐκλυτροῦται, θανάτου καταδίκης, πᾶσα πνοή, ἀνυμνοῦντες δοξάσωμεν, τὸν σταυρωθέντα βουλήσει ὑπὲρ ἡμῶν, καὶ φωτίσαντα τὰ πέρατα.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Πεπωρωμένος καρδίαν, καὶ λογισμοῖς πονηροῖς, ἀπεγνωσμένος ὅλος, καὶ κατακεκριμένος, ὑπάρχων ἐκβοῶ σοι· Λόγε Θεοῦ, τὰ κρυφῆ μοι ἐγκλήματα, καὶ τὰς ἀτάκτους κινήσεις τῶν λογισμῶν, καταπράϋνον ὡς εὔσπλαγχνος.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Έν τῷ Σταυρῷ σου Οἰκτίρμον, Χριστὲ καυχώμεθα, καὶ ἐν αὐτῷ τὴν πλάνην, τοῦ ἐχθροῦ ἐκπορθοῦντες, ὑμνοῦμέν σε ἀπαύστως, ὅτι ἡμῶν, τὸ σωτήριον Εὔσπλαγχνε, τῆς γῆς ἐν μέσῳ εἰργάσω ὡς ἀγαθός, ἑκουσίως ὑψωθεὶς ἐν αὐτῷ.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Σὲ σωτηρίαν μου πάντοτε, ἐπιγράφομαι, ἐν σοὶ θαρρῶ σωθῆναι, παναγία Παρθένε, ἐκ πάσης οὖν με βλάβης, φθορᾶς καὶ παθῶν, ἀνελπίστου κακίας τε, καὶ ἐξαιρέτως ἐκ γνώμης ἀνηλεοῦς, φιλαργύρου τε ἐξάρπασον.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Έπικαλοῦμαί σε πάλιν, Παρθένε Δέσποινα, κατὰ τοῦ πάθους τούτου, τῆς

Mode 1. Friday Sticheron 1.

Then did the forefather taste death at the forbidden tree; * but now are all believers * freed from death's condemnation * by the Tree of honor. O every breath, * let us glorify and extol * Him who was willingly crucified for our sake * and enlightened all the ends of the earth.

Sticheron 2.

Sticheron 3.

O most compassionate Master, we all take pride in Your Cross; * and thereby devastating * the delusion of Satan, * we ceaselessly extol You; for on the Cross * You were lifted up willingly, * and thus You wrought our salvation, O gracious Lord, * in the middle of the earth, O Christ.

Sticheron 4.

Sticheron 5.

All-holy Virgin and Lady, I now invoke you again * against this fearsome passion, *

φιλοχρηματίας· καὶ γὰρ θηρὸς ἀγρίου αὐτῆς τὰς ὁρμάς, ἀληθῶς πλέον δέδοικα· φιλαργυρία γὰρ πράγμασι καὶ μικροῖς, φειδομένοις τούτων κρίνεται.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Ίλαρωτάτη προθέσει, καὶ διαθέσει χρηστῆ, πρὸς τοὺς πτωχοὺς καὶ ξένους, καὶ πενήτων τὰ πλήθη, ὁρᾶν με καθ' ἑκάστην, ἰσχὺν κραταιάν, Θεοτόκε χορήγησον, ἀκτημοσύνην ἀσπάσασθαι τῷ Θεῷ, οἰκειῶσαι δυναμένην με.

Ήχος α΄. Σάββατον Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Ξύλου βρώσει τέθνηκα ποτέ, συμβουλία ὄφεως, συνεπαρθεὶς καὶ ἐξόριστος, τῆς θείας δόξης σου, γεγονὼς ὁ τάλας· διὸ τεθανάτωμαι, ὑπὸ τῆς ἁμαρτίας ὁ δείλαιος· λοιπὸν Φιλάνθρωπε, σὺ ὡς μόνος εὐδιάλλακτος, Παραδείσου, οἰκήτορα ποίησον.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Πάντα καταλείψασα ψυχή, έννοοῦ τὴν ὅραν σου, τὴν τελευταίαν καὶ πρόσεχε, σαυτῆ, πρὸς ἔξοδον, ἑτοιμαζομένη, ὅπως μὴ αἰφνίδιος, ἐλθών σε καταλάβῃ ὁ θάνατος, εὑρὼν ἀνέτοιμον· τῷ Κυρίῳ οὖν ἀείποτε, γρηγοροῦσα, προσεύχου καὶ δάκρυε.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Νέκρωσον τὸ φρόνημα παθῶν, τῶν παρενοχλούντων με, καὶ τὰς ἀτάκτους κινήσεις μου, Θεὲ προάναρχε, θείᾳ ἐξουσίᾳ, πράϋνον ὡς εὔσπλαγχνος, παρέχων μοι πταισμάτων τὴν ἄφεσιν, ὡς εὐδιάλλακτος, ὡς οἰκτίρμων

the desire for money. * For truly I am fearful of its attacks * more than those of a wild beast, * since it is counted as avarice unto them * who begrudge even the smallest things.

Sticheron 6.

Mode 1. Saturday Sticheron 1.

Sticheron 2.

Withdrawing from everything, my soul,

* hold within your memory * your final hour,
and be vigilant, and ever be prepared * for
your own departure; * lest, arriving suddenly

* and finding you unready, your death might
come and take you by surprise. * So be
watchful, and unceasingly * to the Lord pray, *
and pour out a stream of tears.

Sticheron 3.

Fortify, O pre-eternal God, * the mind-set agreeing with * the carnal passions perturbing me; and by divine command, * quiet the unruly * movements in my flesh; and grant * forgiveness of my sins, inasmuch as You are

καὶ φιλάνθρωπος, διὰ πλοῦτον, τῆς σῆς ἀγαθότητος.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Άγία Θεόνυμφε άγνόν, σεμνόν με καὶ σώφρονα, πρᾶον ἡσύχιον κόσμιον, εὐθὺν καὶ ὅσιον, ἀληθῆ ἀνδρεῖον, φρόνιμον μακρόθυμον, χρηστὸν ἐπιεικῆ τε καὶ μέτριον, ἄμεμπτον ἄμωμον, ἀνεπίληπτόν τε ποίησον, καὶ πρὸς τούτοις Παραδείσου μέτοχον.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Ύπέκκαυμα γέγονα αἰσχρᾶς, ἀσωτίας Άχραντε, ἐφευρετὴς παραπτώσεων, παθῶν διδάσκαλος, ὁδηγὸς λαγνείας, ἀσελγείας πρόξενος, δεινῆς ἀκολασίας συνήγορος· καὶ ἔτι τούτων γάρ, ταῖς ἐννοίαις ἐνηδύνομαι, ἀλλὰ πάσης ἀπωλείας ῥῦσαί με.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Δεινῶς με χειμάζουσι δεινοῖ, ἁμαρτίας χείμαροι, ἀδίνες ἄδου κυκλοῦσί με, παγὶς θανάτου δέ, ψυχικοῦ προφθάνει, ἐλεῆμον Δέσποινα, βοῶ σοι μετ' ὀδύνης καρδίας μου. Σπεῦσον ἐξάρπασον, ἐκ θανάτου ἀπογνώσεως, καὶ ἐξ ἄδου, νῦν τῆς ἀπωλείας με.

Ήχος β΄. Δευτέρα Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Δός μοι μετανοίας λογισμόν, δὸς καὶ κατανύξεως πόθον, τῆ ταπεινῆ μου ψυχῆ, ἔγειρον ἐξ ὕπνου με δεινῆς πωρώσεως, καὶ

quickly reconciled, * and compassionate and merciful, * in the wealth of * Your goodness and love for man.

Sticheron 4.

Make me, O all-holy Bride of God, * chaste and meek and self-controlled, * decent and quiet and decorous, straightforward and devout, * truthful and courageous, * sensible, longsuffering, * and lenient and gentle and moderate, blameless, impeccable, * irreproachable; and grant to me, * in addition, * residence in Paradise.

Sticheron 5.

Sticheron 6.

Mode 2. Monday Sticheron 1.

Grant thoughts of repentance unto me; * also grant the love for contrition unto my humble soul. * Rouse me from the sleep of τὸ σκότος ἀπέλασον, τὸ τῆς ῥαθυμίας, καὶ τῆς ἀπογνώσεως λῦσον τὴν ζόφωσιν, ὅπως, ἀνανεύσας ὁ τάλας, σοὶ προσκολληθήσωμαι Λόγε, καὶ σοῦ τοῖς θελήμασι πορεύσωμαι.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Μόνε εὐδιάλλακτε Χριστέ, μόνε ὑπεράγαθε Λόγε καὶ ἀνεξίκακε, σοὶ προσπίπτω εὔσπλαγχνε, σὲ ἰκετεύω θερμῶς, σοὶ κραυγάζω δεόμενος Ἡμάρτηκα σῶσον, σῶσόν με τὸν ἄσωτον τῆ εὐσπλαγχνία σου, ὅπως, εὐχαρίστως κραυγάζω. Κύριε, συγχώρησιν δός μοι, καὶ σοῦ τῆ χρηστότητι πορεύσομαι.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Πάντα ἄπερ ἥμαρτον εἰς σέ, λόγοις τε καὶ ἔργοις, Θεέ μου, καὶ ἐνθυμήσεσι, πάντα ἐξαγγέλλω σοι, πάντα νῦν λέγω σοι· τὴν ἡμέραν παρῆλθον γάρ, καὶ πάντα τὸν χρόνον, νύκτα δὲ κατέλαβον πλήρης ὑπάρχων κακῶν· ὅθεν σοι προσπίπτω κραυγάζων· Δέσποτά μου, Δέσποτα Σῶτερ, ἥμαρτον, συγχώρησον, καὶ σῶσόν με.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Δεῦτε ἐν ὡδαῖς πνευματικαῖς, τοὺς προαρχηγοὺς τῶν ἄγγέλων, ἀνευφημήσωμεν·πάντων γὰρ ὡς πρόκριτοι, τῶν ἀσωμάτων Χορῶν, Στρατηγοὶ καὶ ἄρχάγγελοι, ἐκλήθησαν ἄμφω· ἄρχων γὰρ τῆς χάριτος ὁ Γαβριὴλ πεφυκώς, νόμου, καὶ τῶν πρὸ Μωϋσέως, ἔξαρχος γνωρίζεται αὖθις, ὁ τῶν ἄρχαγγέλων ἀρχηγὸς Μιχαήλ.

grave insensibility, * and the darkness of laziness * drive out from within me, * and dispel the gloom created by despondency, * so that looking up, I the wretched * might cling fast to You and according * to Your holy will proceed, O Word of God.

Sticheron 2.

Sticheron 3.

Now do I confess to You my God *
everything of which I am guilty, my sins
against You in word, * deed and recollection,
all do I declare to You. * I have passed the
entire day * and all of my life's time; * now I
have arrived at night still full of wickedness. *
Therefore, I fall down to You crying: * Master,
O my Master and Savior, * I have sinned;
forgive and save me, Lord my God.

Sticheron 4.

Come, and singing spiritual songs * let us now extol the commanders of the angelic hosts. * For being preeminent among the bodiless choirs, * they were both designated as * Archangels and Generals. * Foremost in the period of grace is Gabriel, * while in the Old Testament era * of the Law and prior to Moses, * prominent is Michael, the Archangels' chief.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Εὖγε Ἀσωμάτων ὁ φωστήρ! εὖγε τῆς ἀΰλου χορείας, ὧ Ἀρχιστράτηγε, μύστα καὶ πρωτάγγελε, τῶν ἀπορρήτων Θεοῦ, Μιχαὴλ παμμακάριστε, αὐτόπτα τῶν ἄνω. Λύτρωσαι δεόμεθα τοὺς σοὶ προστρέχοντας, πάντων, δυσχερῶν καὶ κινδύνων· σὲ γὰρ πρὸς τὸν Κύριον πάντες, εὐμενῆ προστάτην προβαλλόμεθα.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Χαίροις τῶν Ἁγγέλων στρατηγέ, καὶ τῶν ἀποὀρἡτων ὁ μύστης, καὶ λειτουργὲ τοῦ Θεοῦ, ἄρχων καὶ ἀκρότατε, τῶν ἀσωμάτων Χορῶν, Γαβριὴλ ὑπερένδοξε, φρικτῶν μυστηρίων· ἄφθης γὰρ διάκονος κρυφιομύστου βουλῆς· σὺ γάρ, τὴν Θεοῦ πρὸς ἀνθρώπους, ἄκραν συγκατάβασιν ἦλθες, ἐπὶ σωτηρία προαγγέλλων ἡμῖν.

³Ηχος β΄. Τρίτη Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Μόνε ἀναμάρτητε Χριστέ, μόνε ἀνεξίκακε μόνε, πηγὴ χρηστότητος, ἴδε μου τὴν στένωσιν, ἴδε τὴν θλῖψιν μου, καὶ οὐλὰς τῶν τραυμάτων μου, ἐξάλειψον πάσας, καὶ ἐν τῷ ἐλέει σου, σῶσον τὸν δοῦλόν σου, ὅπως ἀθυμίας τὰ νέφη, πόρὸω ἐκδιώξας δοξάζω, σὲ τὸν ὑπεράγαθον Σωτῆρά μου.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Βλέψον, ὧ ψυχή μου ταπεινή, ἴδε σου τὰ ἔργα ὁποῖα, εἰσὶ παμβέβηλα, ἴδε σου τὴν γύμνωσιν, φεῦ καὶ τὴν μόνωσιν· καὶ γὰρ

Sticheron 5.

Sticheron 6.

Mode 2. Tuesday Sticheron 1.

As the only sinless One, O Christ, * the

only forbearing, the only wellspring of charity, * see my tribulation, see my strait perplexity.

* Wipe away from my wounded soul * the scars and the bruises, * and save me Your servant in Your tender mercy, O Lord, * so that with the clouds of depression * gone away, I might offer glory * unto You my Savior most benevolent.

Sticheron 2.

μέλλεις χωρίζεσθαι, Θεοῦ καὶ Άγγέλων, καὶ πρὸς ἀτελεύτητον, ῥίπτεσθαι βάσανον. Νῆψον, διεγέρθητι, σπεῦσον, βόησον Ἡμάρτηκα Σῶτερ, δός μοι τὴν συγχώρησιν καὶ σῶσόν με.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Σῶμα κατεμόλυνα δεινῶς, ἔφθειρα ψυχὴν καὶ καρδίαν, καὶ λογισμοῖς ῥυπαροῖς, πάσας τὰς αἰσθήσεις μου, κατετραυμάτισα, ὀφθαλμοὺς ἐβεβήλωσα, ἐσπίλωσα ὧτα, λόγοις γλῶσσαν ἔχρανα, καὶ πάντα ἔχω αἰσχρά· ὅθεν σοι προσπίπτων κραυγάζω· Δέσποτα Χριστὲ ἤμαρτόν σοι, ἤμαρτον συγχώρησον καὶ σῶσόν με.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Σπεῦσον ἐξελοῦ με πειρασμῶν, ἔνδοξε Κυρίου Προφῆτα, καθικετεύω σε· μάτην γὰρ κεκίνηνται οἱ πολεμοῦντές με, κατ' ἐμοῦ πικροὶ δαίμονες, ζητοῦντες ἀρπάσαι, τὴν ψυχὴν τοῦ δούλου σου, ὥσπερ στρουθίον οἰκτρόν, μή με καταλίπης εἰς τέλος, γνώτωσαν δὲ μᾶλλον Παμμάκαρ, ὅτι σύ μου πέλεις καταφύγιον.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Στείρας ὁ πανάγιος βλαστός, βλάστημα τερπνὸν τῆς ἐρήμου, ἡ χελιδὼν ἡ τερπνή, ἀηδὼν ἡ εὔλαλος, περιστερὰ ἡ χρυσή, τὴν στειρεύουσαν πάντοτε, ἀθλίαν ψυχήν μου, εὔκαρπον ἀνάδειξον, ἀγαθῶν πράξεων, ὅπως ἐκβλαστάνουσα στάχυν, τὸν ἑκατοστεύοντα Μάκαρ, ἔνθεον προσάξη σοι τὴν αἴνεσιν.

Sticheron 3.

I have brought corruption on my soul, * and I have polluted my body, and with my sordid thoughts * I have wounded grievously my heart and senses all. * I have sorely defiled my eyes, * my ears have I tainted, * and my tongue have I befouled. I am completely depraved. * Therefore, I fall down to You crying: * I have sinned against You, O Master. * I have sinned; forgive and save me, Christ my God.

Sticheron 4.

Sticheron 5.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Ύῦσαι αἰωνίου με πυρός, σκότους ἀφεγγοῦς καὶ ἀνάγκης, καὶ πάσης θλίψεως, πάσης κακουχίας τε, πάσης στενώσεως, ἱκετεύω σε Πρόδρομε, καὶ δεῖξον μερίδος, τὸν αὐτοκατάκριτον, ὄντα τοῖς πταίσμασι, Μάκαρ, σωζομένων εὐχαῖς σου, ἔνθα τῶν Ἁγίων χορεῖαι, καὶ χαρὰ ὑπάρχει ἡ ἀνέκφραστος.

Ήχος β΄. Τετάρτη Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Σῶτερ τῷ Σταυρῷ προσηλωθείς, ἥλιος ἰδὼν ἐσκοτίσθη, ἀπὸ τοῦ φόβου σου, καὶ τὸ καταπέτασμα Ναοῦ ἐρρήγνυτο, ἡ δὲ γῆ κατεσείετο, καὶ πέτραι ὡσαύτως, τρόμῳ διεσχίζοντο, ὁρῷν μὴ σθένουσαι, Κτίστην καὶ Θεὸν ἐπὶ ξύλου, πάσχοντα ἀδίκως βουλήσει, καὶ ὑπὸ ἀνόμων ὑβριζόμενον.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Όλος καταβέβληται εἰς γῆν, ὅλος ἀνετράπη καὶ κεῖται, πτῶμα ἐξαίσιον, ὄφις ὁ παμπόνηρος, ἀνυψωθέντος σου, ἐπὶ ξύλου φιλάνθρωπε, Ἀδὰμ δὲ κατάρας, λύεται καὶ σώζεται, ὁ πρὶν κατάκριτος· ὅθεν καὶ ἡμεῖς δυσωποῦμεν, σῶσον ἡμᾶς, οἴκτειρον πάντας, καὶ τῆς Βασιλείας σου ἀξίωσον.

Sticheron 6.

Save me from the everlasting fire, * from the lightless darkness, from hardships, and all necessity, * from all tribulation and from all perplexing straits, * I beseech you, O Baptist John, * and by your entreaties * grant me who am self-condemned in my iniquities * surely to belong to the portion * of the saved wherein are the choirs * of the Saints and joy that is ineffable.

Mode 2. Wednesday Sticheron 1.

Savior, when You hung upon the Cross, * seeing You the sun became darkened from overwhelming fear, * and the curtain of the Temple then was torn in two, * and the earth shook in every place, * and likewise in horror * rocks and boulders split apart, unable to behold * hanging on a cross their Creator * willfully to suffer unjustly, * nor the lawless men humiliating You.

Sticheron 2.

Since You have been lifted on the Cross, * O Lover of man, the malignant serpent has utterly * been cast down to earth completely overthrown, and he lies * as a fallen monstrosity, * while Adam the former * convict from the curse is loosed, and he is being saved. * Therefore do we also beseech You: * Save us and take pity on all men, * and Your blessed Kingdom do vouchsafe to us.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Κρίσιν δέχη μόνε Βασιλεῦ, ὁ κρῖναι τὰ σύμπαντα μέλλων, ἐν τῆ ἐλεύσει σου, στέφος ἀνεδύσω δέ, Σῶτερ ἀκάνθινον, ὑπεκτίλλων Φιλάνθρωπε, τὴν ἐκ τῆς ἀπάτης, ἄκανθαν προθέλυμνον, τῆ δυναστεία σου, πᾶσιν ἐμφυτεύων τοῖς πίστει, σταύρωσιν τὴν σὴν προσκυνοῦσι, τὴν τῆς εὐσπλαγχνίας σου ἐπίγνωσιν.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Πλοῦτος πτωχευόντων καὶ τρυφή, καὶ καταφυγὴ τῶν πενήτων, καὶ ὀρφανῶν ἡ ἐλπίς, σὺ ὑπάρχεις Δέσποινα, καὶ σὲ δοξάζομεν, οἱ ἐν θλίψει κραυγάζοντες· Ἁγία Ἁγίων, λύτρωσαι προφθάσασα, καὶ νῦν τοὺς δούλους σου, πάσης ἐπηρείας δαιμόνων, καὶ τῆς χαλεπῆς τιμωρίας, καὶ τῆς αἰωνίου κατακρίσεως.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

"Όντως ὑπερῆραν ἀληθῶς, τῶν ἀνομιῶν μου τὰ πλήθη, τὴν κεφαλήν μου Άγνή, καὶ αἱ ἀνομίαι μου ὑπερεπλήθυναν, καὶ φορτία δυσβάστακτα, καὶ ἄμετρα Κόρη, κέκτημαι ὁ δείλαιος, καὶ ἀδιόρθωτος. Σὺ οὖν τῆ θερμῆ σου πρεσβεία, πρόφθασον καὶ σῶσόν με μόνη, τῶν ἀμαρτανόντων ἡ διόρθωσις.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Ώσπερ ἐν λιμένι προσδραμών, ὑπὸ τὴν ἀγίαν σου σκέπην, Παρθενομῆτορ ἁγνή, δέομαι σπλαγχνίσθητι, μὴ ἀπορῥίψης με, ἀλλὰ ῥῦσαι τὸν δοῦλόν σου, τῆς νῦν ἐπελθούσης, θλίψεως, ὡς ἔχουσα τὸ συμπαθὲς φυσικόν,

Sticheron 3.

You received a verdict, only King * who yourself at Your second coming will judge the universe, * and You wore a crown of thorns, O Savior, on Your head, * thus, O Lover of humankind, * completely uprooting * the thorn of deception by Your mighty sovereignty, * thereupon implanting the knowledge * of Your great compassion within all * who worship Your crucifixion faithfully.

Sticheron 4.

Sticheron 5.

Truly rising up over my head * are the many sins and transgressions that I committed indeed; * truly they have multiplied more than the hairs of my head. * O pure Virgin, I have incurred innumerable burdens, * too heavy for me, incorrigible wretch that I am. * Please come quickly, help me and save me, * by your prayers and strong intercession; * for you can restore those who committed sins.

Sticheron 6.

As if to a haven have I run * underneath your holy protection, O Virgin Mother pure. * Have compassion, I entreat you, and reject me not; * rather save me your servant from * this present affliction, * being as you are by nature

Μῆτερ τοῦ Θεοῦ τοῦ Ὑψίστου, πάντοτε πρεσβεύουσα σῷζε, πάσης περιστάσεως τοὺς δούλους σου.

Ήχος β΄. Πέμπτη Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Λόγου τοῦ φανέντος ἐπὶ γῆς, σάλπιγγες καθάπερ ὀφθέντες, θεῖοι Ἀπόστολοι, τούτου τὸ σωτήριον πᾶσιν ἐφάνατε, καὶ λαοὺς συνηθροίσατε, πρὸς ἔνθεον πίστιν, πλάνης ὀχυρώματα καταστρεψάμενοι· ὅθεν καὶ ἀξίως τὰ γέρα, καὶ νικητικῶς τοὺς στεφάνους, ὄντως ἐκομίσασθε μακάριοι.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Δῆμοι τῶν Ἁγγέλων ἀληθῶς, χαίροντες ἐκρότησαν ἄνω, τοὺς ἱεροὺς Μαθητάς, βλέποντες κηρύττοντας, ἐν παἀρἡησία πολλῆ, τοῦ Κυρίου τὴν σάρκωσιν, καὶ πᾶσι βοῶντας Οὖτος ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, ὁ πρὸ αἰώνων ἐστί, σάρκα προσλαβὼν ἑκουσίως, σύνθρονος Πατρὶ δὲ ὑπάρχων, καὶ τῷ θείῳ Πνεύματι ὁμότιμος.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Πάσης οἰκουμένης ἀλιεῖς, τὴν ήγκιστρωμένην ψυχήν μου, ταῖς μεθοδείαις ἐχθροῦ, τάχος ἐκλυτρώσασθε, καὶ ἀπογνώσει με νῦν, κινδυνεύοντα σώσατε, καρποὺς μετανοίας, φέρειν ἐνισχύοντες, θεῖοι ἀπόστολοι, ὅπως τοῦ πυρὸς τῆς γεέννης, πεῖραν μὴ λαβὼν Βασιλείας, τῆς τῶν οὐρανῶν ἀξιωθήσωμαι.

moved to sympathy. * Always intercede and deliver * us your servants from every trial, * as you are the Mother of the Most High God.

Mode 2. Thursday Sticheron 1.

O divine Apostles, you were seen * as the trumpets of the divine Word Who had appeared on earth. * You declared His saving dispensation unto all. * By your preaching did you destroy * the bastions of error, * congregating peoples unto pious faith in God. * Therefore, you the blessed Disciples * worthily were given the honors * and received the laurel crowns triumphantly.

Sticheron 2.

Legions of the Angels in the heights

* applauded the holy Disciples, and truly
they rejoiced * seeing them proclaim the
incarnation of the Lord * with great freedom
and confidence, * declaring to all men: * This
is our God, the One who is before all time, *
who assumed our flesh of His own will, * and
who shares the throne with the Father, * being
with the Spirit honored equally.

Sticheron 3.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Πλήθει πειρασμῶν περισχεθείς, καὶ ταῖς τρικυμίαις τοῦ βίου, περικυκλούμενος, σάλῳ τε ποντούμενος τῶν περιστάσεων, καὶ ταῖς λύπαις βαλλόμενος, ἐν σοὶ τὴν ἐλπίδα, πᾶσαν ἀνατίθημι, Πάτερ Νικόλαε, πάντων τῶν δεινῶν μοι παράσχου, λύσιν ταῖς πρεσβείαις σου μάκαρ, ταῖς πρὸς τὸν Δεσπότην σου ἐντεύξεσιν.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Νέφει ἀθυμίας σκοτεινῷ, καὶ στενοχωρίας ὁμίχλῃ, νυνὶ καλύπτομαι, θλίψεως ἀλλεπάλληλοι διαταράττουσιν, ὁ δὲ φόβος κινδύνων με, δεινῶς περιέχει, δέομαί σου σῶσόν με, θεομακάριστε· σὲ γὰρ ὀνομάζω προστάτην, καὶ σοῦ τὴν βοήθειαν Πάτερ, ἐπικαλουμένῳ μοι κατάπεμψον.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Χάριν είληφὼς παρὰ Θεοῦ, πᾶσι χορηγεῖς τὰς ἰάσεις, ὑπὸ τὴν σκέπην σου, ἄγιε Νικόλαε, τοῖς σοὶ προστρέχουσι· φυγαδεύσεις δαιμόνων γάρ, ἀνίατα πάθη, πάντας θεραπεύεις δέ, τῇ προστασίᾳ σου· ὅθεν καὶ ἡμεῖς δυσωποῦμεν, πρέσβευε πρὸς Κύριον πάσης, λυτρωθῆναι βλάβης τοὺς ὑμνοῦντάς σε.

Ήχος β΄. Παρασκευὴ Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Σῶτερ τῷ Σταυρῷ προσηλωθείς, ἤλιος ἰδὼν ἐσκοτίσθη, ἀπὸ τοῦ φόβου σου, καὶ τὸ καταπέτασμα Ναοῦ ἐρῥήγνυτο, ἡ δὲ γῆ κατεσείετο, καὶ πέτραι ὡσαύτως, τρόμῳ

Sticheron 4.

Sticheron 5.

Sticheron 6.

Since you have been granted grace from God, * freely you dispense cures and healing to all who place themselves * under your protection, O divine St. Nicholas. * You drive out diabolical inveterate passions, * curing all whom you receive into your custody. * Therefore we now also implore you: * Pray the Lord that all who extol you * ever be delivered from impending harm.

Mode 2. Friday Sticheron 1.

Savior, when You hung upon the Cross, * seeing You the sun became darkened from overwhelming fear, * and the curtain of the Temple then was torn in two, * and the earth διεσχίζοντο, ὁρᾶν μὴ σθένουσαι, Κτίστην καὶ Θεὸν ἐπὶ ξύλου, πάσχοντα ἀδίκως βουλήσει, καὶ ὑπὸ ἀνόμων ὑβριζόμενον.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Όλος καταβέβληται εἰς γῆν, ὅλος ἀνετράπη καὶ κεῖται, πτῶμα ἐξαίσιον, ὄφις ὁ παμπόνηρος, ἀνυψωθέντος σου, ἐπὶ ξύλου φιλάνθρωπε, Ἀδὰμ δὲ κατάρας, λύεται καὶ σώζεται, ὁ πρὶν κατάκριτος· ὅθεν καὶ ἡμεῖς δυσωποῦμεν, σῶσον ἡμᾶς, οἴκτειρον πάντας, καὶ τῆς Βασιλείας σου ἀξίωσον.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Ότε ὁ παράνομος λαός, Σῶτερ τὴν ζωὴν τῶν ἀπάντων, ξύλῳ ἀνήρτησε, τότε κτίσις ἄπασα, φόβῳ ἐτρόμαξε, τὰ τοῦ ἄδου βασίλεια, καὶ κράτος θανάτου, πάντα ἐξηφάνισται, θείᾳ δυνάμει σου, τότε καὶ Ἀδὰμ ὁ προπάτωρ, χαίρων ἀνεβόα σοι· Δόξα, τῆ συγκαταβάσει σου, Φιλάνθρωπε.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Νεῦσον ταῖς δεήσεσιν Άγνή, τῶν σῶν οἰκετῶν, καὶ παράσχου, πηγὰς δακρύων ἡμῖν, ἵνα ἀποπλύνωμεν τῶν ἐγκλημάτων ἡμῶν, τὰς κηλῖδας Πανάμωμε, καὶ σβέσωμεν φλόγα, τοῦ διαιωνίζοντος καὶ πικροτάτου πυρός· σὺ γὰρ τῶν ἐξ ὅλης καρδίας, σὲ τὴν τοῦ Δεσπότου Μητέρα, ἐπικαλουμένων τὰς δεήσεις πληροῖς.

shook in every place, * and likewise in horror * rocks and boulders split apart, unable to behold * hanging on a cross their Creator * willfully to suffer unjustly, * nor the lawless men humiliating You.

Sticheron 2.

Since You have been lifted on the Cross, * O Lover of man, the malignant serpent has utterly * been cast down to earth completely overthrown, and he lies * as a fallen monstrosity, * while Adam the former * convict from the curse is loosed, and he is being saved. * Therefore do we also beseech You: * Save us and take pity on all men, * and Your blessed Kingdom do vouchsafe to us.

Sticheron 3.

Savior, and the Life of all the world,

* when the lawless people suspended You
on a wooden cross, * all creation, horrified,
then quaked in fear and awe. * By Your
might and divinity * the kingdom of Hades *
disappeared, accompanied by the dominion of
death. * Then, too, did the forefather Adam

* joyfully cry out to You: Glory * to Your
condescension, Lord who love mankind.

Sticheron 4.

Pure one, we entreat you to incline * unto our petition and grant us your servants founts of tears * so that we may weep and thereby wash away the stains * of our sins, O all-blameless one, * and also extinguish * the flame of the never-ending and most bitter fire. * For indeed you answer the prayers * of those

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Ζάλη ἐναντίον λογισμῶν, καὶ ταῖς τρικυμίαις τοῦ βίου, κλυδωνιζόμενος, πνεύμασιν ἀτάκτοις τε περιφερόμενος, τοῦ δεινοῦ κοσμοκράτορος, βοῶ σοι Παρθένε· Σπεῦσον ἐξελέσθαι με, τῶν κατεχόντων δεινῶν, ὅπως εὐχαρίστῳ καρδίᾳ, σοῦ τὰ μεγαλεῖα κηρύττω, πᾶσι τοῖς πιστοῖς θεοχαρίτωτε.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

"Ιδε τὴν ἀσθένειαν ἐμήν, καὶ τὴν τῆς ἀθλίας ψυχῆς μου, ταλαιπωρίαν Άγνή, καὶ τὴν τῆς καρδίας μου, κάκωσιν Δέσποινα, καὶ βουλὰς διασκέδασον, ἐχθρῶν ἀοράτων, τῶν ἐπεμβαινόντων μοι, καὶ πολεμούντων δεινῶς· σὰ γὰρ τὸν Θεὸν τετοκυῖα, τοῖς ἐν τοῖς κινδύνοις τελοῦσι, δύνασαι παρέχειν ἀπολύτρωσιν.

³Ηχος β΄. Σάββατον Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Όταν ἐν τῆ δόξη σου Χριστέ, ἔλθης μετ' Άγγέλων ἀγίων, κρῖναι τὰ σύμπαντα, ὅτε παραστήσονται, γυμνοί σοι ἄπαντες, ἀποδοῦναι ὧν ἔπραξαν, τὴν ἀπολογίαν, τότε τοῖς προβάτοις με, σύνταξον Λόγε τοῖς σοῖς, λύσιν παρασχών μοι ἐνταῦθα, τῶν πλημμελημάτων μου πάντων, ὧν περ ἐν τῷ βίῳ ἐπλημμέλησα.

who wholeheartedly call on * you the holy Mother of our Lord and God.

Sticheron 5.

Sticheron 6.

Mode 2. Saturday Sticheron 1.

When You come again, O Christ our God,

* with Your holy Angels in glory to judge the
universe, * when all men who ever lived shall
stand before You exposed, * there to render
a full account * for their every action; * then,
O Word, include me in the number of Your
sheep, * granting me from now absolution * of
my every sin and transgression * which I have
committed in this present life.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Ύῆξον τὰς σειράς μου τῶν παθῶν, ξήρανον ψυχῆς σηπεδόνας, μόνε φιλάνθρωπε, δώρησαί μοι δάκρυα τῆς κατανύξεως, τὴν καρδίαν μου φώτιτισον, τὴν ἐσκοτισμένην, λύτρωσαί με δέομαι ἐκ περιστάσεως, ζάλης, συμφορῶν ἐναντίων, καὶ ἐκ πειρασμῶν πολυτρόπων, τοῦ δεινοῦ ἐχθροῦ καὶ κοσμοκράτορος.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Λάβε ὧ ψυχή μου κατὰ νοῦν, τὴν φοβερωτάτην ἐκείνην, ὥραν τῆς κρίσεως, ὅτε τρόμος λήψεται, τὴν κτίσιν ἄπασαν, καὶ καθίσῃ ὁ Ὑψιστος ἐν θρόνῳ ἀστέκτῳ, λόγον εἰσπραξάμενος, τῶν πεπραγμένων ἡμῖν, σπεῦσον, διαλλάγηθι ἔνθεν τῷ κριτῆ τῶν ὅλων βοῶσα· Ἡμαρτόν σοι Κύριε, καὶ σῶσόν με.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Όλος ἐκ νεότητος ἐγώ, πάθεσιν αἰσχύνης δουλεύσας, καὶ ἀσωτία πολλῆ, τέλεον ἡμαύρωσα, τὸ κατ' εἰκόνα Θεοῦ, καὶ πτοοῦμαι Πανύμνητε, τὴν μέλλουσαν δίκην, ὅτε παραστήσομαι τῷ σῷ Υἱῷ καὶ Θεῷ· νῦν οὖν, πρὸ τοῦ τέλους μοι δίδου, κάθαρσιν Άγνὴ τῶν παθῶν μου, καὶ πλημμελημάτων ἀπολύτρωσιν.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Φρίττω τὸ κριτήριον Άγνή, καὶ τὴν τοῦ πυρὸς τιμωρίαν, τὴν αἰωνίζουσαν, καὶ τὴν ἀπαραίτητον, ὄντως ἀπόφασιν, τὸν βρυγμὸν τῶν ὀδόντων τε, καὶ τοῦ ἀκοιμήτου, σκώληκος Πανάμωμε, τὴν ἀγριότητα· ὅθεν, ἐν ὀδύνῃ καρδίας, σὲ καθικετεύω Παρθένε, τῆς φρικτῆς με ῥῦσαι κατακρίσεως.

Sticheron 2.

As the only Lover of mankind, * break apart the chains of my passions, dry up the festering * of my soul and grant me tears of true compunction, O Lord; * and illumine my darkened heart, * I fervently pray You, * and deliver me from all adverse predicaments, * turmoils and unhappy disasters, * and from all the cunning temptations * of the dreadful foe and ruler of this world.

Sticheron 3.

Sticheron 4.

Sticheron 5.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Ότε τῶν τοῦ σώματος μελῶν, μέλλῃ ἡ ψυχή μου βιαίως, διαχωρίζεσθαι, τότε μοι παράστηθι, καὶ τῶν ἀσάρκων ἐχθρῶν, τὰς βουλὰς διασκέδασον, καὶ τούτων τὰς μύλας, σύντριψον ζητούντων με, καταπιεῖν ἀφειδῶς, ὅπως ἀκωλύτως διέλθω, τοὺς ἐν τῷ ἀέρι ἑστῶτας, ἄρχοντας τοῦ σκότους, Θεονύμφευτε.

³Ηχος γ΄. Δευτέρα Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

"Ημαρτον Κύριε ὁ Θεός μου, ἥμαρτόν σοι, ἱλάσθητί μοι, μὴ ἀπώση με, μὴ βδελύξη με Λόγε, ἀλλ' ὡς μόνος συμπαθής τε καὶ ἐλεήμων, πρόσδεξαί με μεταγνόντα, καὶ τὰ σὰ ποιεῖν με Σῶτερ δικαιώματα, ὡς μόνος εὔσπλαγχνος ἐνδυνάμωσον.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Πρόφθασον Κύριε έξελοῦ με, ἐκ χειρὸς τοῦ ἀντικειμένου· καὶ γὰρ θέλων ἐδουλώθην τῷ πλάνῳ, καὶ ἀπέστην ἐκ τῶν ἐντολῶν σου οἰκτίρμον, δός μοι χρόνον μετανοίας, καὶ πρὸς φῶς εἰσάγαγέ με κατανύξεως, ὅπως πενθήσω μου τὴν ἀπόπτωσιν Σῶτερ.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Λύτρωσαι Κύριε ὁ Θεός μου, ἐκ πωρώσεως τὴν ψυχήν μου, καὶ παράσχου τῶν

Sticheron 6.

Stand by me, all-holy Bride of God, *
when my wretched soul is about to be parted
forcibly * from the members of my body.
Also frustrate the plans * of the bodiless
enemies, * and shatter the fangs of * those
who seek to swallow up my life unsparingly,
* so that having nothing to block me, * I may
unimpededly rise past * the rulers of darkness
standing in the air.

Mode 3. Monday Sticheron 1.

O Lord my God, I have sinned against You. * I have sinned against You; forgive me. * Cast me not away, O Word of God, nor loathe me. * But as You alone are merciful and understanding, * accept me back in repentance. * O my Savior, as the only One compassionate, * provide the strength for me * to execute Your statutes.

Sticheron 2.

Hasten, O Lord my God, and redeem me
* from the hand of the adversary. * I have
fain become enslaved to the deceiver * and
forsaken Your divine commandments, O
Master. * Grant me time for repentance, * O
Compassionate, and lead me to compunction's
light, * that I may weep and mourn * over my
fall, O Savior.

Sticheron 3.

δακρύων μοι ὄμβρους, ἵνα πλύνω τῶν ἀνομιῶν μου τὰ αἴσχη, αὔγασόν με τὸν ἐν τῷ σκότει, φῶς τῆς σῆς δώρησαι Σῶτερ ἐπιγνώσεως, ὅπως πορεύσωμαι, ἐν σεπταῖς ἐντολαῖς σου.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Χορείας Άσωμάτων, Κύριε ὑπέστησας, τὸν πλοῦτόν σου δεικνύων, πᾶσι τῆς ἀγαθότητος, καὶ παρήγαγες ἐκ τοῦ μὴ ὄντος εἰς τὸ εἶναι, τῆς ὑπὲρ νοῦν δόξης σου, τοῦ νῦν δοξάζειν σε, ἐν φωναῖς ἀσιγήτοις.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Μεγάλη τῶν Ἁγγέλων σου, Χριστὲ ἡ δύναμις· ἀσώματοι γὰρ ὄντες, τὸν κόσμον διατρέχουσι, περιέποντες τὰς Ἐκκλησίας ἐν ἰσχύϊ, τῇ παρὰ σοῦ Δέσποτα, καὶ πρεσβεύουσιν, ὑπὲρ τῆς οἰκουμένης.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Δυνάμεις, Έξουσίαι, Άγγελοι, Άρχάγγελοι, καὶ Σεραφεὶμ καὶ θρόνοι, Άρχαὶ καὶ Κυριότητες, Χερουβεὶμ δόξης τῆς ἀνεκφράστου καὶ τελείας, σοφίας τε τῆς ὄντως, νῦν ἱκετεύσατε, ὑπὲρ τῆς οἰκουμένης.

Ήχος γ΄. Τρίτη Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Τὰ πάθη τῆς ψυχῆς Σωτήρ μου καὶ τοῦ σώματος, δεινῶς ἐπαναστάντα, βυθίζουσί με ἄμφω, καὶ πρὸς βάθος ἀπογνώσεώς με ἔλκουσιν, ἀλλ' ὡς ποτὲ θάλασσαν, ταῦτα κατεύνασον, καὶ γαλήνην μοι δίδου.

Sticheron 4.

O Master, You created the choirs of the Bodiless, * to all thus manifesting the richness of Your goodness. * And You brought them into being from nonexistence * that they might glorify You * with their unceasing hymns * and never-silent voices.

Sticheron 5.

Sticheron 6.

Mode 3. Tuesday Sticheron 1.

The passions of my soul and body that are savagely * rebelling are submerging * me dually, O Savior. * They are drawing me into the depths of desperation. * But as of old with the sea, * so also quiet them, * and grant me serenity.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Οὐκ ἔχω παρρησίαν ὅλως ὁ κατάκριτος, εἰς ὕψος ἀτενίσαι, τοῦ οὐρανοῦ καὶ βλέψαι, ἀπὸ πλήθους καθελκόμενος πταισμάτων μου, λοιπὸν ὡς ὁ Τελώνης, βοῶ· Ἱλάσθητι, τῷ ἀθλίω μοι Σῶτερ.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Μεγάλη καὶ φρικτή σου Δέσποτα ἡ ἔλευσις, ἐν ἡ καθίσης κρίσιν, δικαίαν ἐκτελέσαι· μὴ οὖν κρίνης με τὸν κατακεκριμένον, ἀλλ' ὡς Θεὸς φεῖσαί μου, καὶ ἐλευθέρωσον, τῆς μελλούσης ἀνάγκης.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Ώς ὄρθρος έξανέτειλας πᾶσι τοῖς πέρασι, φωτίζων τὰς καρδίας, τῶν σὲ ὑμνούντων ἔνδοξε διὸ φώτισον ἡμῶν τὰς διανοίας, καὶ τὰς ψυχὰς Προφῆτα, τοῦ γεραίρειν σε, Βαπτιστὰ τοῦ Σωτῆρος.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Μὴ παύση ἱκετεύειν Πρόδρομε μακάριε, ὑπὲρ παντὸς τοῦ κόσμου, δεόμεθά σου πάντες, ὅπως λάβωμεν ἐξ ὕψους θείαν χάριν, καταπατεῖν τὴν κάραν, τοῦ κακογνώμονος, οἱ πλουτοῦντές σε πρέσβυν.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Ήνίκα τοῦ φθαρτοῦ με μέλλει Κύριος, χωρίζειν τότε σκήνους, προστάτην εὕροιμί σε, καὶ ἀντίληψιν καὶ σκέπην, Ἰωάννη Πρόδρομε καὶ Προφῆτα, καθοδηγοῦντά με, πρὸς ἀνέσπερον φέγγος.

Sticheron 2.

Sticheron 3.

O Lord, Your Second Coming will be great and terrible * when You will sit in judgment * and execute it justly. * Thus I pray You, judge me not who am condemned already. * But rather spare me, O God, * and deliver me * from the impending crisis.

Sticheron 4.

Sticheron 5.

Cease not from supplicating on behalf of all the world, * we fervently beseech you, * O Forerunner thrice-blessed, * that we may receive divine grace from heaven * to trample on the head * of the malignant one, * with you as intercessor.

Sticheron 6.

³Ηχος γ΄. Τετάρτη Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Ή κτίσις ἠλλοιώθη Λόγε τῆ σταυρώσει σου, ὁ ἥλιος ἀκτῖνας, συνέστειλε τῷ φόβῳ, καὶ ναοῦ τὸ καταπέτασμα ἐσχίσθη, καὶ πᾶς πιστὸς σέσωσται· ὅθεν δοξάζομεν, σοῦ τὸν ἄμετρον πλοῦτον.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Ό σάρκα τὴν ἡμῶν δι' οἶκτον προσλαβόμενος, Θεός τε καὶ Δεσπότης, τῷ ξύλῳ προσεπάγη, καὶ ἀνύψωσεν ἡμᾶς κατερραγμένους, ἀνυψωθεὶς σώματι, ὥσπερ ηὐδόκησε, διὰ σπλάγχνα ἐλέους.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

'Ρανίδες θεορρύτου αἵματος καὶ ὕδατος, ἀνέπλασαν τὸν κόσμον, χυθεῖσαι ἐκ πλευρᾶς σου, τῷ μὲν ὕδατι ἐκπλύνεις, ὡς οἰκτίρμων, πάντων τὰς ὰμαρτίας Κύριε, τῷ δὲ αἵματι, τὴν συγχώρησιν γράφεις.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Έν κλίνη κατακείμενος τῆς ἀμελείας μου, τὸν τῆς ζωῆς μου χρόνον, ῥαθύμως ἐξετέλεσα, καὶ πτοοῦμαι τῆς ἐξόδου μου τὴν ὥραν, ἀλλὰ τῆ σῆ πρεσβεία ἐγείρασα, σῶσόν με πρὸς μετάνοιαν Κόρη.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Τὸ ἄλγος τῆς, καρδίας μου Άγνὴ θεράπευσον, καὶ στῆσον τοῦ νοός μου, τὴν πλάνην καὶ ἀξίωσον, καθαρᾶ σε ἀνυμνεῖν

Mode 3. Wednesday Sticheron 1.

Creation was affected, O Word, when You were crucified. * The sun concealed its rays out of fear, and the earth shook, * and the curtain of the Temple was torn in two, * and all believers were saved. * And now we glorify Your immense wealth of mercy.

Sticheron 2.

Our God and Lord, who out of pity took upon himself * our whole incarnate nature, * was fastened to the crossbar. * And as He himself was lifted up in body, * He lifted up fallen man, * as He was pleased to do, * by virtue of His tender mercy.

Sticheron 3.

The drops of blood and water coming forth from You, O God, * refashioned creation * when they issued from Your body. * For You wash away the sins of all in the water, * and then with Your precious blood, * O tenderloving Lord, * You write their absolution.

Sticheron 4.

Supine upon the couch of my own negligence, * I lazily have wasted * the time of my existence, * and I therefore fear the hour of my exit. * But through your intercessions, * O Lady, raise me up * to repentance and save me.

Sticheron 5.

καρδία, καὶ ἐξαιτεῖσθαι χάριν, εὑρεῖν καὶ ἔλεος, ἐν ἡμέρα τῆς δίκης.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Άπόθου ταπεινή ψυχή μου τὰ δυσβάστακτα, φορτία τῆς κακίας, καὶ πρόσελθε δακρύουσα, καὶ βοῶσα· Τὸν ζυγὸν άγνὴ Παρθένε με ἀξίωσον, τὸν ἐλαφρὸν βαστάζειν, τοῦ Υἰοῦ καὶ Θεοῦ σου.

³Ηχος γ΄. Πέμπτη Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Πρεσβείαις τῶν σεπτῶν καὶ θείων Ἀποστόλων σου, φιλάνθρωπε Οἰκτίρμον, καὶ μόνε ἐλεῆμον, τὴν εἰρήνην σου παράσχου τῷ λαῷ σου, καὶ τῶν δεινῶν λύτρωσαι, τοὺς ἀνυμνοῦντάς σε, καὶ πιστῶς προσκυνοῦντας.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Βελῶν με ὡς Θεοῦ αὐτόπται τοῦ ἀλάστορος, λυτρώσασθε σβεννῦντες, αὐτοῦ τὰς πανουργίας, καὶ δροσίσατέ με πνεύματος τῆ δρόσῳ, ἀμαρτιῶν τῷ καύσωνι, ἐκτηκόμενον, εὐεργέται μοι θεῖοι.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Εἰς πᾶσαν οἰκουμένην ὄντως ἐξελήλυθεν, ὁ θεῖος ὑμῶν φθόγγος, Ἀπόστολοι Κυρίου, καὶ ἐφώτισεν ἐν σκότει τοὺς κειμένους, καὶ τῷ Θεῷ προσήγαγεν, ὡς θυμίαμα, τοὺς αὐτὸν ἐγνωκότας.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Μεγίστη σωτηρία πᾶσιν ἀνεδείχθης ἡμῖν, Νικόλαε τρισμάκαρ· λυτροῦσαι γὰρ παντοιων, τοὺς οἰκέτας σου κινδύνων, καὶ ἀνάγκης καὶ

Sticheron 6.

Mode 3. Thursday Sticheron 1.

Grant peace unto Your people through the prayers of Your divine * and ven'rable Apostles, * O only Lord compassionate, * in Your love for man; and rescue from the terrors * all those who sing Your praises * and who faithfully * worship You the merciful God.

Sticheron 2.

Sticheron 3.

Apostles of the Master, truly your divine report * has gone out to the whole world * and to the ends of all the earth, * and illuminated those who lay in darkness, * and to God presented * as incense * those who came to know Him.

Sticheron 4.

πειρασμῶν, καὶ νόσων, καὶ περιστάσεων, καὶ ἐχθρῶν ἀοράτων.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Έπλήγην ἰοβόλῳ δήγματι ὁ ἄσωτος, καὶ κεῖμαι ἐρριμμένος καὶ ἐξηπορημένος, τῇ ἀγρύπνῳ σου δεήσει Ἱεράρχα, ἐν τάχει ἀνάστησον, ἵνα δοξάζω σου, τὴν ταχύκοον χάριν.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Έν ὥρᾳ τῆ φρικτῆ, ἐν ἦ μέλλω παρίστασθαι, τὸ βῆμα τὸ φρικῶδες, καὶ πέμπεσθαι κολάσει, βοηθόν σε εὕροιμι Ἱεράρχα, ῥυόμενόν με σκότους, καθικετεύω σε, παρῥησίαν ὡς ἔχεις.

³Ηχος γ΄. Παρασκευὴ Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Ἡ κτίσις καθηγίασται μόνε Μακρόθυμε, τιμίω Αἵματί σου, καὶ ὕδατι ἁγίω, ποταμοὶ δὲ ἐξηράνθησαν πολυθεΐας, καὶ ὁ Ἀδὰμ σέσωσται, τῆς καταπτώσεως, τῆ Σταυρώσει σου Λόγε.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Ό πάσης ὢν τιμῆς ἐπέκεινα Φιλάνθρωπε, ὑπὲρ ἡμῶν ὑβρίσθης, καὶ ὅξος ἐποτίσθης, καὶ ὑπέμεινας Σταυρὸν ἐθελουσίως, ὅπως φθορᾶς ἄπαντας, τῷ θανάτῳ σου, Εὐεργέτα λυτρώσης.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Έν ξύλω ἀνηρτήθης θέλων Ύπεράγαθε, καὶ τῷ Πατρὶ θυσία, ὑπὲρ ἡμῶν ἀνήχθης, καὶ κατέπαυσας θυσίας τῶν εἰδώλων, καὶ τὸ

Sticheron 5.

The serpent's poison bite has wounded me the prodigal, * and I am lying prostrate * and brought to desperation. * By your vigilant petitioning, O Hierarch, * do speedily restore me, * that I may glorify * your grace which is quick to hear.

Sticheron 6.

Mode 3.
Friday
Sticheron 1.

Sticheron 2.

O Lord above all honor, as the Lover of mankind, * for us You were insulted, * You tasted of the vinegar, * and You willingly endured the crucifixion, * so that, O Benefactor, * by Your own death You might * redeem all from corruption.

Sticheron 3.

You willingly were hung upon the Cross, O gracious Lord, * and unto Your own Father * were offered as a sacrifice; * and You ended κράτος ἔλυσας, τοῦ κακογνώμονος, Βασιλεῦ τῶν αἰώνων.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Ή τοῦ φωτὸς τοῦ ἀδύτου νεφέλη, θεοχαρίτωτε Κόρη, εὐλογημένη Μαρία, λάμψον μοι φῶς μετανοίας, τῷ σκότει τῆς ἁμαρτίας ἀφρόνως συνεχομένῳ, καὶ ῥῦσαι ταῖς δεήσεσι ταῖς σαῖς, πυρὸς γεέννης καὶ σκότους ἀφεγγοῦς, καὶ ἡμέρας δεῖξον τῆς ἀνεσπέρου, κοινωνόν, προσφυγόντα με τῆ σκέπη σου Πανάχραντε.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Τὸν θελητὴν τοῦ ἐλέους τεκοῦσα, παντελεῆμον Παρθένε, αὐτὸν ἀεὶ ἐκδυσώπει, τὴν ταπεινὴν ἐλεῆσαι ψυχήν μου, τὴν εἰς βυθὸν ἀπωλείας κατολισθήσασαν, ὄντως ἐπηρείαις τοῦ ἐχθροῦ· μὴν οὖν βδελύξη τὴν δέησίν μου νῦν, μηδὲ ἀποστρέψης ἀπὸ τοῦ δούλου σου, τοὺς ἀμέτρους Κόρη οἰκτιρμούς σου, δι' οἶκτον ἀμέτρητον.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Ό ἐν Ἐδὲμ τὸν Ἁδὰμ ἀπατήσας, ἵνα Θεοῦ παρακούσῃ, οὖτος κἀμὲ δελεάσας, ἐκ τῆς ὁδοῦ τῆς εὐθείας ἐκκλίνας, εἰς ἀνοδίας ἔρἑιψε βόθρον, πολλῶν ἁμαρτιῶν, καὶ κομπάζει ὁ δεινός, καταπτωθέντα ἰδών με παντελῶς, πρεσβειῶν σου ξίφει· τοῦτον οὖν πάταξον Παρθένε, καὶ ῥῦσαι τῶν αὐτοῦ με, παγίδων ὡς εὔσπλαγχνος.

sacrifices unto idols, * and destroyed the dominion * of the malignant one, * O King of all the ages.

Sticheron 4.

Sticheron 5.

Sticheron 6.

He who of old beguiled Adam in Eden * to disobey his Creator, * the same now having seduced me, * turning me off of the straight way, * has thrown me into the ditch of many sins on an impassable byway, * and the hellion dares to vaunt * as he beholds me completely fallen down. * So with the sword of your intercessions, O Virgin, * smite him down and free me from his snares, * since you are most compassionate.

Ήχος γ΄. Σάββατον Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Ναόν με τοῦ σεπτοῦ σου Πνεύματος ἀπέργασαι, καθάρας τὰς κηλίδας, Χριστέ μου τῶν πταισμάτων, καταγώγιον δαιμόνων χρηματίζοντα νῦν, οὺς ἐξ ἐμοῦ ἔκβαλε, ὡς τοὺς μολύνοντας, πάλαι τὸ ἱερόν σου.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Ό θέλων πάντας σῶσαι Κύριε, ὡς εὔσπλαγχνος, ἁμαρτωλούς, δικαίους, καὶ μή τινα ὀλέσθαι, αὐτὸς ποίησον ἕνα κἀμὲ τῶν σωζομένων, τὸν ἀμελῶς ζήσαντα, καὶ τὰ σὰ προστάγματα, παραβλέψαντα Λόγε.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Ύπνώσας ἐν τῷ τάφῳ Χριστέ, ὡς ἄνθρωπος, δυνάμει ἀηττήτῳ, ἀνέστης συνεγείρας, τοὺς ἐν τοῖς μνημείοις κατοικοῦντας ἀπ' αίῶνος· διὸ τοὺς κοιμηθέντας, πίστει ἀνάπαυσον, ἐν σκηναῖς αἰωνίοις.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Ταῖς αὔραις τοῦ ἐχθροῦ ὡς κάλαμος ὑιπίζομαι, διηνεκῶς Παρθένε, ἀλλ' οἴκτειρον τὸν δοῦλόν σου, καὶ ταῖς τούτου καταιγίσι μὴ εἰς τέλος, ἐάσῃς με κλονεῖσθαι, ἀλλὰ στερέωσον, ἐν τῇ πίστει Κυρίου.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Ό κλύδων τῶν παθῶν, συνέχων καὶ συμπνίγων με, διηνεκῶς ταράττει, τὴν ταπεινὴν ψυχήν μου, καὶ ἀθεῖ εἰς ἀπογνώσεως βυθόν με, ἀλλὰ τὴν ζάλην ταύτην, Ἁγνὴ μετάβαλε, εἰς βαθεῖαν γαλήνην.

Mode 3. Saturday Sticheron 1.

Sticheron 2.

O Lord, You are compassionate and will that all be saved, * both sinners and the righteous, * that none go to perdition. * So, O Word of God, I pray You, make me also * one of those being saved, * though I have lived carelessly, * ignoring Your commandments.

Sticheron 3.

You slumbered in the grave as man, O
Christ our God; * You rose again by virtue
* of Your invincible power, * and together
raised those dwelling in the tombs for ages.
* Therefore grant rest unto those * who have
reposed in faith * in the eternal dwellings.

Sticheron 4.

Sticheron 5.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Παρθένε τὸν ἐκ σοῦ, τεχθέντα καθικέτευε, τὴν ποίμνην σου φυλάττειν, ἀλώβητον ἐκ πάσης, ἐπηρείας τοῦ ἀντικειμένου διαβόλου, καὶ ἐκπληροῦν ἄπαντας, αὐτοῦ τὸ θέλημα, ἐνδυνάμωσον Κόρη.

Ήχος δ΄. Δευτέρα Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Δεῦρο τάλαινα πρόσπεσον, τῷ Θεῷ ἐν θερμότητι, τῶν δακρύων κράζουσα, τὸ ἡμάρτηκα, ψυχὴ παμβέβηλε ἵλεων, τὸν Κριτὴν ἀπέργασαι, πρὸ τοῦ τέλους καὶ αὐτῷ, ἐκ καρδίας ἀνάκραξον· Μὴ ἀπώση μου, στεναγμοὺς ὁ Θεός μου, μὴ παρόψη, συντριβήν μου τῆς καρδίας, ὧ πολυεύσπλαγχνε Κύριε.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Έν νυκτὶ καὶ ἡμέρα τε, ὁ ἐχθρὸς ὁ παμπόνηρος, πολεμῶν οὐ παύεται δελεάσαι με, καὶ πρὸς ἀπώλειαν ἔλκει με, κακίας πρὸς βάραθρα, ἀλλ' ὡς μόνος ἀγαθός, τῆς αὐτοῦ τυραννίδος με ἀπολύτρωσαι, καὶ παντοίας ἀνάγκης, Ἰησοῦ μου, ὑπεράγαθε καὶ σῶσον, ἐκ πολυτρόπων κολάσεων.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Οἰκητήριον γέγονα, λογισμῶν τῶν θλιβόντων με, καὶ ἀλλοτριούντων με ἐκ σοῦ Δέσποτα, τὰς ἐντολάς σου ἠθέτησα, ποιεῖν σου

Sticheron 6.

O Virgin, fervently entreat Him who was born of you, * that through your intercessions * He keep your flock uninjured * from the machinations of the adversary devil, * O holy Damsel, and grant * the strength to everyone * to fulfill His divine will.

Mode 4. Monday Sticheron 1.

O you mis'rable soul of mine, * come and fall down before your God, * and with tearful fervor to Him say: I have sinned. * Before the end, O unholy thing, * move the Judge to clemency, * and wholeheartedly cry out * unto Him who is merciful: * O most gracious God, * disregard not my penitential sighing, nor ignore my heart's contrition, * O most compassionate Lord of mine.

Sticheron 2.

The insidious enemy, * both at night and throughout the day, * ceases not his efforts to tempt me into sin, * unto perdition alluring me * and to the abyss of vice. * But since You alone are good, * have compassion and rescue me * from his tyranny * and from every necessity; and save me, O supremely good Lord Jesus, * from every manner of punishment.

Sticheron 3.

τὸ θέλημα, οὐκ ἠθέλησα ποτέ, ἀλλ' εὐδόκησον Κύριε, ἐνοικήσαί μοι, διὰ πλῆθος ἐλέους, καὶ διδάξαι, τοῦ ποιεῖν τὸ θέλημά σου, ὡς ἀγαθὸς καὶ φιλάνθρωπος.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Σοῦ τῆς θείας ἐλλάμψεως, δεκτικὰ καταγώγια, καὶ δοχεῖα πάνσεπτα, κατεσκεύασας, τὰ τῶν Ἁγγέλων στρατεύματα, καὶ θεῖα συστήματα, σοῦ τῆς δόξης θεωρούς, παραστάτας τοῦ θρόνου σου, τοὺς τὸν λόγον σου, δυνατῶς ἐν ἰσχύϊ ἐκτελοῦντας, καὶ συντόνως ἐκπληροῦντας, τὰς ἐντολάς σου φιλάνθρωπε.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Άγαθότητος πέλαγος, ἀναφαίνειν βουλόμενος, ἀγαθὸς ὢν ἄναρχε, πρῶτον ἔκτισας, παντοδυνάμω σου νεύματι, καὶ θείω προστάγματι, τῶν Ἁγγέλων τοὺς χορούς, καὶ δυνάμεων τάγματα· ὄντως ἔδει γάρ, τὸ καλὸν ἐκχυθῆναι καὶ ὁδεῦσαι, καὶ ὡς πλείονα γενέσθαι, τὰ σὰ δωρήματα Δέσποτα.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Σεραφεὶμ ἑξαπτέρυγα, Χερουβεὶμ πολυόμματα, ἐπηρμένοι θρόνοι τε περιέπουσι, τῆς φωτουργοῦ σου ἐλλάμψεως, ἀμέσως μετέχοντες, Κυριότητες Ἀρχαί, Ἐξουσίαι Ἀρχάγγελοι, καὶ οἱ Ἅγγελοι, καὶ Δυνάμεις αἱ θεῖαι τὴν σὴν δόξαν, Παντοκράτορ εὐφημοῦντες, ὑπὲρ ἡμῶν δυσωποῦσί σε.

Sticheron 4.

You created the hierarchies * of the Angels and regiments * of the hosts of heaven by Your divine command * and Your omnipotent beckoning, * as being benevolent, * wishing thereby to display * Your abundant benevolence. * For it had to be, * O beginningless Master, that Your goodness overflow and that it travel, * and thus become greatly multiplied.

Sticheron 5.

Sticheron 6.

Ήχος δ΄. Τρίτη Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Τὴν Χαναναίαν ζηλώσασα ψυχή μου, ὅπισθεν κολλήθητι, Χριστῷ καὶ κράζε συχνῶς. Ἐλέησόν με, ὧ Δέσποτα, παῖδα οὐκ ἔχω, δαιμονιῶσαν σάρκα δὲ ἄτακτον, δίωξον τὴν πύρωσιν, ἐκ ταύτης δέομαι, καὶ καταπαύσας τὰ ἄτακτα, τῶν σκιρτημάτων, νεκρὰν τῷ φόβω σου ἀποτέλεσον, ταῖς ἱκεσίαις τῆς ἀχράντως σε, συλλαβούσης Χριστὲ καὶ τεκούσης σε, καὶ τῶν πάντων Ἁγίων, Εὐεργέτα πολυέλεε.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Τοῖς Νινευίταις ποτὲ ἡμαρτηκόσιν, Ἰωνᾶν ἐξέπεμψας, Χριστὲ κηρῦξαι αὐτοῖς, οῦ μεταγνόντες μετέβαλον, θυμὸν εἰς οἶκτον ἀπολυτρούμενοι ἐξ ὀλεθρίου ὀργῆς· πέμψον οὖν Φιλάνθρωπε, τῷ ἀναξίω κἀμοί, ἵν' ἐπὶ τὴν κραταιάν σου βοήθειαν, στρέψω, ἐξ ἀμετρήτων μου παραπτώσεων, καὶ μετανοίας εἰς τὰς τρίβους, ὁδηγηθῶ τε καὶ κλαύσω στενάζων πικρῶς, τῶν πολλῶν μου πταισμάτων, λυτρωθῆναι τῷ ἐλέει σου.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Ό εἰς τὸν κόσμον έλθὼν διὰ τὸ σῶσαι, βροτοὺς ἁμαρτάνοντας, καὶ πρὸς μετάνοιαν, καλέσαι τούτους ὡς εὔσπλαγχνος, κἀμὲ Οἰκτίρμον, τὸν ὑπὲρ πάντας σε παροργίσαντα, οἰκτείρησον, σῶσόν με, δι' ἀγαθότητα, καὶ πρὸς ὁδόν με ὁδήγησον, τῆς μετανοίας, καὶ

Mode 4. Tuesday Sticheron 1.

Be, O my soul, like the Canaanite woman.

* Cleave to Christ and frequently cry out
to Him with faith: * O Lord, have mercy
on me, I pray. * I have no daughter * but
my demoniac and unruly flesh. * Cast out
hardness from therein, I fervently beseech, *
and while arresting the throbbings of * unruly
movements, * completely deaden it by the fear
of You, * at the entreaties of the Maiden who *
both conceived You, O Christ, and gave birth
to You * without stain, and of all Saints, *
Benefactor greatly merciful.

Sticheron 2.

The Prophet Jonah You sent of old, O Savior, * to preach to the Ninevites; for they had greatly sinned. * When they repented, Your anger changed * into compassion, * and they were saved from the devastating wrath. * Hence, O You who love mankind, send also unto me, * who am unworthy, Your mighty aid, * that I may likewise * return from my own countless iniquities, * and be directed to the trodden paths * of repentance, and weep sighing bitterly, * so that I be delivered * by Your mercy from my many sins.

Sticheron 3.

λογισμόν μοι δὸς κατανύξεως, κατασκευάσας τὴν καρδίαν μου, ταπεινήν, καὶ ἀπλὴν ἀπερίεργον, καὶ πραεῖαν Σωτήρ μου, τῇ σῇ χάριτι ὡς εὔσπλαγχνος.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Τὴν ἀμαυρωθεῖσάν μου, ψυχὴν κακία τοῦ ὄφεως, Ἰωάννη μακάριε, φώτισον πρεσβείαις σου, καὶ εὐθείαις τρίβοις, ὁδήγησον βαίνειν, ταῖς εἰσαγούσαις πρὸς ζωήν, τὴν μακαρίαν καθικετεύω σε, ἵνα προθύμως πάντοτε, δοξολογῶ σε πανθαύμαστε, ὁ ἀχρεῖος οἰκέτης σου, ὡς τυχὼν τῆς αἰτήσεως.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Τῆς στείρας ὡς βλάστημα, ὑπάρχων τίμιε Πρόδρομε, τὴν ψυχήν μου στειρεύουσαν, παντοίων ἐκ πράξεων, ἀγαθῶν παμμάκαρ, ποίησον εὐχαῖς σου, καρποὺς προσφέρειν τῷ Θεῷ, ἐν μετανοίᾳ καθικετεύω σε, ὅπως τὰς ἀριστείας σου, καὶ τὴν θερμὴν προστασίαν σου, μεγαλύνω σῳζόμενος, ὁ ἀχρεῖος οἰκέτης σου.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Κριτὰ δικαιότατε, καρδιογνώστα φιλάνθρωπε, καὶ Θεὲ ἀμνησίκακε, ἐν ὥρᾳ τῆς κρίσεως, μή με καταισχύνης, τὸν ἄσωτον Λόγε, ἀλλὰ τοῦ θείου Βαπτιστοῦ, σεπταῖς πρεσβείαις νῦν ἐπικάμφθητι, καὶ σῶσόν με τὸν δείλαιον, καθικετεύω καὶ δέομαι, Ἰησοῦ ὑπεράγαθε, ὁ Σωτὴρ τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν.

Sticheron 4.

By the serpent's wickedness has my unfortunate soul been dimmed. * Hence, I pray you, illumine it * through your intercessory prayers. And direct me * to walk on the straight paths which lead unto the blessed life, * I supplicate you, O blessed Baptist John, * that I your worthless suppliant, having succeeded in my request, * may with zeal always glorify * you, O wonderful man of God.

Sticheron 5.

Sticheron 6.

Ήχος δ΄. Τετάρτη Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Έκ γῆς με τὸ πρότερον, δημιουργήσας Φιλάνθρωπε, σῆ εἰκόνι ἐτίμησας, τρυφὴν χαρισάμενος, τὴν ἐν Παραδείσω, καὶ γνώσεως ξύλω, δελεασθέντα καὶ φθορᾶ, ὑποπεσόντα πάλιν ἀνέστησας, βροτὸς αὐτὸς γενόμενος, καὶ σταυρωθεὶς ὁ ἀθάνατος, διὰ ἔλεος ἄμετρον, καὶ πολλὴν συγκατάβασιν.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Οἶκτον δι' ἀμέτρητον, ὁ Ποιητής μου καὶ Κύριος, μὴ λιπὼν τὸν Γεννήτορα, τῆ γῆ ἐπεδήμησεν, ἑαυτὸν κενώσας, μορφήν τε τῶν δούλων, ἀναλαβὼν ὡς ἀγαθός, ἐκ τῆς Παρθένου, καθὼς ηὐδόκησε· καὶ Σταύρωσιν ὑπέμεινε, σαρκὶ παθὼν ὁ ἀθάνατος, καὶ τὸν θάνατον ἔλυσε, καὶ τὸν ἄνθρωπον ἔσωσε.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Σταυρούμενος Δέσποτα, τὴν ἁμαρτίαν ὡς εὔσπλαγχνος, ἑαυτῷ συνεσταύρωσας, ἀρὰν δὲ ἐξήλειψας, τρήσει τῇ τῶν ἥλων, καὶ τοῦ Πρωτοπλάστου, λόγχῃ νυγείς σου τὴν πλευράν, Χριστὲ διέρρηξας τὸ χειρόγραφον, ὑμνῶ σου τὰ Παθήματα, δοξολογῶ σου τὴν Έγερσιν, δι' ἦς πάντας ἐζώωσας, νεκρωθέντας τοῖς πάθεσιν.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Τὸν ῥύπον ἀπόσμηξον, τῆς ταλαιπώρου καρδίας μου, Θεοτόκε πανύμνητε, καὶ πάντα τὰ τραύματα, καὶ τὰ ἔλκη ταύτης, τὰ ἐξ ἁμαρτίας, ἐναποκάθαρον Ἁγνή, καὶ τοῦ νοός

Mode 4. Wednesday Sticheron 1.

At first You created me from earth, O
Lover of humankind. * With Your image You
honored me * and granted me the delight *
which was in the Garden. * And when I was
lured by the tree of knowledge and I fell *
into corruption, You raised me up again, *
Immortal One, yourself becoming mortal and
being crucified, * out of great and rich mercy
and * condescension immeas' rable.

Sticheron 2.

Sticheron 3.

O Lord, being merciful, when You were crucified, with yourself * did You crucify sin as well. * By the puncture of the nails * did You blot the curse out; * and by being lanced in the side did You, O Christ our God, * tear up the bond of the first created man. * I magnify Your sufferings; Your resurrection I glorify * through which everyone who was dead * in the passions was brought to life.

Sticheron 4.

Wipe away the sordidness, all-lauded Mother of God, I pray, * from this mis'rable heart of mine, * disinfecting all its wounds * and its ulcerations * which were generated μου στῆσον τὸ ἄστατον· ὅπως τὴν δυναστείαν σου, καὶ τὴν μεγάλην ἀντίληψιν, μεγαλύνω ὁ ἄθλιος, καὶ ἀχρεῖος οἰκέτης σου.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Τὸ χαῦνον καὶ ἔκλυτον, Παρθενομῆτορ Πανάμωμε, τῆς ψυχῆς μου μετάβαλε, εἰς ρῶσιν καὶ δύναμιν, τοῦ φόβῳ καὶ πόθῳ, ποιεῖν τε καὶ πράττειν, τὰ δικαιώματα Χριστοῦ, ὅπως ἐκφύγω τὸ πῦρ τὸ ἄστεκτον, καὶ κλῆρον τὸν οὐράνιον, καὶ τὴν ζωὴν τὴν ἀπέραντον, διὰ σοῦ ἀπολήψωμαι, εὐφραινόμενος πάντοτε.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Ζόφος φοβερώτατος, ὁ τοῦ θανάτου Θεόνυμφε, τὴν ψυχὴν κατατρύχει μου, τὸ δὲ λογοθέσιον, ἐξιστᾶν καὶ τρέμειν, ἀεὶ τῶν δαιμόνων, παρασκευάζει Ἁγαθή, ἐξ ὧν με ῥῦσαι τῆ δυναστείᾳ σου, Παρθένε ἀπειρόγαμε, καὶ πρὸς λιμένα σωτήριον, καὶ πρὸς φῶς τὸ ἀνέσπερον, τῶν ἁγίων κατάταξον.

Ήχος δ΄. Πέμπτη Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Στεφροτάτω φρονήματι, στρατευσάμενοι ἔνδοξοι, κατὰ τοῦ ἀλάστορος παρετάξασθε, τῆ πανοπλία τοῦ Πνεύματος, γενναίως φραξάμενοι, καὶ τὴν ἄπασαν ἰσχύν, τῶν δαιμόνων ὀλέσαντες, ἀφηρπάσατε, τὰς ψυχὰς by sin, O pure one; and arrest * the instability of my intellect, * that even I your wretched servant, I your unworthy suppliant, * might be able to magnify * your great help and ascendancy.

Sticheron 5.

O all-blameless Virgin Mother, change the frivolous character * of my soul and its feebleness * to strength and empowerment,* to perform the statutes * and all the commandments of Christ with fear and love of God, * that I be spared from the unbearable fire, * and also be an heir of heaven and receive everlasting life, * all through you, O all-holy one, * and be happy forevermore.

Sticheron 6.

Bride of God, the thought of awful gloom and darkness of death alarms * and unsettles my sorry soul. * The thought that the demons will inspect all my actions * should cause me to tremble * in fear, O Lady; so I pray * that by your might you deliver me from them. * O unwed ever-virgin Mary, may I land safely at the port * of salvation, where all the saints * dwell in God's never-setting light.

Mode 4.
Thursday
Sticheron 1.

τῶν ἀνθρώπων, ὥσπερ σκῦλα· διὰ τοῦτο εἰς αἰῶνας, ὑμᾶς τιμῶμεν Ἀπόστολοι.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Σταυροτύπως ἀπλώσασα, τὴν σαγήνην τῆς Πίστεως, δωδεκὰς ἡ θεία τῶν Ἀποστόλων σου, πάντα τὰ ἔθνη ἐζώγρησε, Χριστὲ πρὸς ἐπίγνωσιν, καὶ θαλάσσας ὰλμυράς, τῶν παθῶν ἀπεξήρανε· διὰ τοῦτό σε, δυσωπῶ, τοῦ βυθοῦ με τῶν πταισμάτων, ἀνακάλεσαι ταῖς τούτων, πανευπροσδέκτοις δεήσεσι.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Δωδεκὰς ἡ θεόλεκτος, Ἀποστόλων καὶ πάντιμος, εὐφημείσθω σήμερον θείοις ἄσμασι, Πέτρος καὶ Παῦλος Ἰάκωβος, Λουκᾶς Ἰωάννης τε, καὶ Ματθαῖος καὶ Θωμᾶς, Μᾶρκος Σίμων καὶ Φίλιππος, καὶ ὁ ἔνδοξος, νῦν ἀνδρέας τιμάσθω, σὺν τῷ θείῳ, καὶ σοφῷ Βαρθολομαίῳ, καὶ τοῖς λοιποῖς ἑβδομήκοντα.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Μύρω θείω σε ἔχρισε, θεία χάρις τοῦ Πνεύματος, Μύρων προεδρεύσαντα καὶ μυρίσαντα, ταῖς ἀρεταῖς ἱερώτατε, τοῦ κόσμου τὰ πέρατα, ἡδυπνόοις σου εὐχαῖς, τὰ δυσώδη διώκοντα, πάθη πάντοτε· διὰ τοῦτό σε πίστει εὐφημοῦμεν, καὶ τὴν μνήμην σου τελοῦμεν, τὴν παναγίαν Νικόλαε.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Ώς λαμπτῆρά σε ἄδυτον, ὡς φωστῆρα παγκόσμιον, ἐν τῷ στερεώματι ἀναλάμψαντα, τῆς Ἐκκλησίας Νικόλαε, καὶ κόσμον

Sticheron 2.

Having spread out the net, O Christ, *
of the Faith in a cruciform, * Your divine
Apostles' twelve-numbered company *
brought in the catch of the nations all * unto
knowledge of the truth, * and they caused
the salty seas * of the passions to desiccate. *
Therefore I beseech, * through their prayers
which are always well accepted, call me back
again, O Savior, * out of the deep of iniquities.

Sticheron 3.

Let us sing now in holy song * and today praise the company * of divinely chosen all-honorable twelve * Apostles Peter and Paul and James, * with Andrew the glorious, * and divine beloved John, * Philip, Matthew, Iakovos, * wise Bartholomew, * Thomas, Thaddaeus, Simon called the Zealot, praising Mark and Luke together * with all the rest of the seventy.

Sticheron 4.

Sticheron 5.

You the unwaning beacon light * and the lamp of the universe, * who have brightly shone in the Church's firmament, * O holy

φωτίσαντα, καὶ κινδύνων χαλεπῶν, τὴν ἀχλύν ἀπελαύνοντα, καὶ ἐξαίροντα, ἀθυμίας χειμῶνα, καὶ γαλήνην, ἐργασάμενον βαθεῖαν, χρεωστικῶς μακαρίζομεν.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Καὶ παρὼν καὶ φαινόμενος, ἐν ὀνείροις Νικόλαε, τοὺς ἀδίκως μέλλοντας θνήσκειν ἔσωσας, ὡς συμπαθής, ὡς φιλάγαθος, ὡς ῥύστης θερμότατος, ὡς προστάτης ἀληθής, τῶν πιστῶς ἐξαιτούντων σου, τὴν ἀντίληψιν, ἱερώτατε Πάτερ, τῶν Ἁγγέλων, συμπολῖτα τῶν ὀσίων, καὶ Προφητῶν ἰσοστάσιε.

Ήχος δ΄. Παρασκευὴ Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Ότε σε σταυρούμενον, ή κτίσις πᾶσα ἐώρακεν, ήλλοιοῦτο καὶ ἔτρεμεν, ή γῆ δὲ ἐσείετο, ὅλη κλονουμένη, μακρόθυμε Λόγε, τὸ καταπέτασμα ναοῦ, φόβῳ ἐσχίσθη ὑβριζομένου σου, καὶ πέτραι διερράγησαν, ἀπὸ τοῦ φόβου καὶ ἥλιος, τὰς ἀκτῖνας συνέστειλε, ποιητήν σε γινώσκοντα.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Ύηγνυται χειρόγραφον, τὸ ἀπ' αἰῶνος νυγείσης σου, τῆς πλευρᾶς πολυέλεε, Άδὰμ τοῦ προπάτορος, καὶ ἡ ἀπωσμένη, φύσις τῶν ἀνθρώπων, ῥανίσιν αἵματος τοῦ σοῦ, καθαγιάζεται ἀνακράζουσα· Δόξα τῆ δυναστεία σου, δόξα τῆ θεία σταυρώσει σου,

father Saint Nicholas, * illumining all the world * and dispelling the adverse * gloom of difficult dangers and * lifting up the storm * of depressing despondency, and bringing a deep stillness and profound calm, * do we pronounce blessed gratefully.

Sticheron 6.

Mode 4. Friday Sticheron 1.

All creation underwent an alteration and shook with fear * when it witnessed You crucified. * The earth altogether quaked, * trembling in confusion. * And the Temple's curtain from fear was also torn in two, * when You were outraged, forbearing Word of God. * And then the rocks themselves did split apart, for they too were horrified. * And the sun, recognizing You * its Creator, withheld its rays.

Sticheron 2.

Savior, when Your side was pierced, the bond that from the beginning stood * against Adam our ancestor, * was cancelled and torn apart; * and our human nature, * which of old was banished, * is sanctified now by Your blood, * O very merciful Lord. We sing to

Ίησοῦ παντοδύναμε, ὁ Σωτὴρ τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Πῶς ὁ ἀνομώτατος, δῆμος τολμᾶ κατακρῖναί σε, τὸν Κριτὴν τὸν ἀθάνατον, τὸν νόμον χαράξαντα, ἐν ἐρήμῳ πάλαι, Μωσῆ τῷ θεόπτη; πῶς ἐπὶ ξύλου τὴν ζωήν, τὴν τῶν ἀπάντων ὁρῶντες θνήξασαν, οὐδόλως ἐπτοήθησαν, ουδ' ἐπὶ νοῦν ἐλογίσαντο, ὅτι σὺ μόνος Κύριος, καὶ Δεσπότης τῆς κτίσεως;

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Δαιμόνων κλονούμενον, ταῖς προσβολαῖς καὶ εἰς βάραθρον, ἀπωλείας ἀθούμενον, οἰκτείρησον Δέσποινα, καὶ στερέωσόν με, ἀρετῶν ἐν πέτρα καὶ τὰς βουλὰς τῶν δυσμενῶν, διασκεδάσασα καταξίωσον, ποιεῖν με τὰ προστάγματα, τοῦ σοῦ Υἱοῦ καὶ Θεοῦ ἡμῶν, ὅπως τύχω ἀφέσεως, ἐν ἡμέρα τῆς κρίσεως.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Λησταῖς περιέπεσα, τοῖς μιαιφόνοις Πανάμωμε, καὶ τὸ ἄφθαρτον ἔνδυμα, τῆς ἄνω λαμπρότητος, ταῖς τούτων ἐφόδοις, ἐξεδύθην Κόρη, καὶ ὑπ' αὐτῶν ἀνηλεῶς, ἐτραυματίσθην καὶ καταβέβλημαι, ἐν τόπῳ τῆς κακώσεως, ἡμιθανὴς ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον. Καὶ τὴν χεῖρά σου ἔκτεινον, καὶ ἀνάστησον δέομαι.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Έν κλίνη κατάκειμαι, τῆς ἀμελείας Πανάμωμε, καὶ ῥαθύμως διέρχομαι, τὸν You: * O Jesus the almighty Savior of our souls, we all glorify * your dominion, extolling Your * crucifixion that saved the world.

Sticheron 3.

How did that most lawless people dare pass judgment, condemning You * the divine and immortal Judge * Who yourself inscribed the Law * of old in the desert * for Moses who saw God? How was it that when they beheld * the Life of all men to die upon the Cross * they neither were afraid at all, nor in their minds did they reckon that * truly You are the only Lord * and Master of creation all?

Sticheron 4.

I am being shaken by assaults of demons and to the pit * of perdition am being thrust, * O Lady; so pity me, * and also confirm me * on the rock of virtue. And when you scatter to the winds * the plans the enemies have in store for me, * then grant me to fulfill every divine command of your Son and God, * so that I might obtain complete * absolution on Judgment Day.

Sticheron 5.

Sticheron 6.

I am lying on the bed of my indifference, O blameless Maid; * I am wasting my life βίον καὶ δέδοικα, τὸν τῆς τελευτῆς μου, καιρὸν Θεοτόκε, μὴ ὥσπερ λέων ἀφειδῶς, διασπαράξῃ ὁ ὄφις ὁ τὴν ταπεινήν μου ψυχήν, παμπόνηρος· διὸ τῆ σῆ ἀγαθότητι, πρὸ τοῦ τέλους προφθάσασα, πρὸς μετάνοιαν, ἔγειρον.

³Ηχος δ΄. Σάββατον Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Σύντριψον Κύριε ὁ Θεός μου, τὰ θανατηφόρα πάθη τὰ τῆς καρδίας μου· ἐὰν γὰρ σὰ καταλύσης οἶκον, τῆς σαρκὸς καὶ κτίσης οἶκον τοῦ πνεύματος, εἰς μάτην ἐστὶ φυλάσσων, ὁ πολεμῶν τὴν ψυχήν μου, Κύριε, πρὶν εἰς τέλος ἀπόλωμαι, σῶσόν με.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Δῶρον καὶ μάστιγά μοι παιδείας, τὸν ἐχθρὸν Οἰκτίρμον πρὸς τὸ συμφέρον δέδωκας· τὸ γὰρ κακὸν αὐτοῦ συνεργεῖ μοι, προαιρέσει οὐκ ἀγαθῆ εἰς καλόν· ἐγὼ δέ σοι οὐ προσφεύγω, δι' εὐχῆς εὐχαρίστου. Κύριε, πρὶν εἰς τέλος ἀπόλωμαι, σῶσόν με.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Πάθη καὶ θάνατον κατεδέξω, δι' ἐμὲ ἵνα παθῶν καὶ θανάτου φθορᾶς, ἐλευθερώσης ὡς ζωοδότης, καὶ τὴν πρὶν ἀπάθειαν ἀποδώσης μοι· διό με κείμενον Σῶτερ, τῆς ἁμαρτίας ἐν τάφω, ἔγειρον, πρὶν αἰώνιος θάνατος, λάβη με.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Δέσποινα, Δέσποινα λύτρωσαί με, ἀπὸ τῶν αἰσχρῶν καὶ ῥυπαρῶν ἐνθυμήσεων, ὅτι

away. * Therefore I am so afraid * of my final hour, * lest that wicked snake mercilessly like a lion snatch * my humble soul and with glee tear it apart. * O ever-blessed Theotokos, for this reason I pray to you: * In your goodness make me get up * for repentance before the end.

Mode 4. Saturday Sticheron 1.

Shatter, O Master and God, the passions * of my wretched heart, for they are the carriers of death. * If You yourself demolish the house of * the flesh and build the house of the spirit in its stead, * then he who wages the warfare * upon my soul watches vainly. * Save me before I utterly perish, O Lord my God.

Sticheron 2.

You gave the enemy for my welfare * as a gift and scourge of discipline, tender-loving God. * For notwithstanding his evil purpose, * his wickedness cooperates with me for the good. * Yet I do not flee for refuge * unto You through thanksgiving. * Save me before I utterly perish, O Lord my God.

Sticheron 3.

Sticheron 4.

μολύνουσι τῆς ψυχῆς μου, τὰς αἰσθήσεις πάσας καὶ τὰς τοῦ σώματος· διὸ Ἁγνὴ δέομαί σου, ἐν μετανοίᾳ κραυγάζων· Δέσποινα, πρὶν εἰς τέλος ἀπόλωμαι, σῶσόν με.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Οἴμοι! τί γένωμαι, τί ποιήσω, δουλωθεὶς τοῖς πάθεσιν ἀπὸ νεότητος; ἆρα δυνήσομαι κἂν ἐν γήρᾳ, καρποὺς μετανοίας Χριστῷ ἐνδείξασθαι; ἡ γὰρ συνήθεια μόνη, καὶ πρὸ τοῦ πλάνου πλανᾳ με. Δέσποινα, πρὶν εἰς τέλος ἀπόλωμαι, σῶσόν με.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Δάκρυα δίδου μοι Θεοτόκε, καὶ συντετριμμένην ποίησον τὴν καρδίαν μου, ἐξομολόγησίν τε παράσχου, τῶν βεβιωμένων μοι παραπτώσεων, ἵνα τῆ σῆ βοηθεία, ἐν μετανοία διέλθω, τὸν τῆς ζωῆς μου χρόνον καὶ τύχω ἀνέσεως.

³Ηχος πλ. α΄. Δευτέρα Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Οἴμοι τῷ παροργίσαντί σε, τὸν ἐλεήμονα Θεόν μου καὶ Κύριον! ποσάκις ἐπηγγειλάμην, μετανοῆσαι Χριστέ, καὶ ψευδὴς εὑρέθην ὁ ἀνόητος! Τὸ πρὶν τοῦ Βαπτίσματος, κατερρύπωσα ἔνδυμα, τῶν συνθηκῶν τε, τῶν πρὸς σέ μου ἠλόγησα, καὶ τὸ δεύτερον, πάλιν τοῦτο ἐπάγγελμα, ὃ σοὶ καθωμολόγησα, ἄγγέλων ἐνώπιον, καὶ τῶν ἀνθρώπων τὸ σχῆμα, τὸ πένθιμον ἐνδυόμενος, εἰμὶ

Sticheron 5.

Sticheron 6.

Mother of God, grant me tears, I pray you; * also make my stony heart to be humble and contrite. * Grant me to make a complete confession * of the sinful actions of my entire life, * that I may pass the remainder * of my life in repentance, * with your help, and obtain the remission of all my sins.

Mode pl. 1. Monday Sticheron 1.

Woe be to me who moved You to wrath,

* O my compassionate and merciful Lord and
God! * How many times I have promised,

* O Christ, that I would repent * and turned
out a liar, mindless that I am! * My former
baptismal robe have I soiled entirely * and
disregarded the agreements I made with You.

* And a second time, I have broken my vows
to You. * For after having freely donned * this
habit of mournfulness, * having professed my

άθετήσας, λοιπὸν Σῶτερ μὴ εἰς τέλος, ἀφῆς ὀλέσθαι με.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Ποίαν ἀπολογίαν ψυχή, ἔχεις ἀθλία ἐν ἡμέρα τῆς κρίσεως; ἢ τίς σε τῆς καταδίκης, τοῦ αἰωνίου πυρός, καὶ πασῶν βασάνων ἐξαιρήσεται; οὐδεὶς εἰμὴ σὺ σαυτῆ, ἱλεώση τὸν εὕσπλαγχνον, τὰς ἀθεμίτους, καταλείψασα πράξεις σου, καὶ θεάρεστον, κτησαμένη βιότευσιν, κλαίουσα καθ' ἑκάστην σου, τὰ ἄπειρα σφάλματα, ἄπερ καθ' ὥραν προσπταίεις, ἔργῳ καὶ λόγῳ ἐννοίᾳ τε, Χριστὸν αἰτουμένη, παρασχεῖν σοι τὴν τελείαν, τούτων συγχώρησιν.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Μή μου κατακρατείτω Σωτήρ, τῆς ἁμαρτίας ἡ συνήθεια ἔλκουσα, μηδέ μου κυριευέτω, δαίμων ἀεὶ πολεμῶν, καὶ καταφερέτω πρὸς τὸ θέλημα, αὐτοῦ, ἀλλ' ἐξάρπασον, τῆς αὐτοῦ δεσποτείας με, καὶ τυραννίδος, καὶ ζοφώδους κολάσεως, καὶ βασιλεύων ἐν ἐμοὶ σὺ φιλάνθρωπε, ὅλον τε σὸν γενέσθαι με, καὶ ζῆν καταξίωσον, κατὰ τὸ θέλημα Λόγε, τὸ σὸν καὶ ἔχειν ἀνάπαυσιν, ἐν σοὶ καὶ εὑρεῖν με, ἱλασμὸν καὶ σωτηρίαν, καὶ μέγα ἔλεος.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Λύμη με τῶν παθῶν τυραννεῖ, καὶ τῆς καρδίας μου τὰς κόρας ἐζόφωσε, καὶ βλέπειν οὐ σθένω ὅλως, τὰς σωτηρίους ὁδούς, προϊὼν

vocation * in front of men and the Angels too, * unfaithful have I been. * So, O Savior, do not leave me to perish utterly.

Sticheron 2.

What kind of a defense will you have * the day of judgment, O unfortunate soul of mine?

* Or who from the condemnation * of the continual fire * and from all the tortures then shall rescue you? * Nobody unless you cease * to commit your unlawful acts, * and rather take hold of a God-pleasing way of life, * weeping daily for your uncountable trespasses * into which you fall every hour * in word, deed, and thought as well; * and pray to Christ that He grant you * complete forgiveness for all of them. * And thus you will make Him * who is known for His compassion propitious unto you.

Sticheron 3.

Sticheron 4.

Holy Archangels, I am distressed * by the excretions of the passions which fill like rheum * the eyes of my heart and darken πλανῶμαι, καὶ κρημνίζομαι, δεινῶς εἰς τὰ βάραθρα, τὰ τοῦ Ἅδου Ἀρχάγγελοι, τῶν δὲ θαυμάτων, τῶν ὑμῶν μιμνησκόμενος, θεραπεύομαι, ἀπὸ πάσης τῆς νόσου μου, ἴδοιμι τὴν εὐμένειαν, ὑμῶν νῦν ταχύτατα, σπεύσατε σβέσαι τὴν φλόγα, τὴν τῶν παθῶν μου πανσέβαστοι, πρὸς φῶς ὁδηγοῦντες, σωτηρίας με καὶ λύσιν, κακῶν μοι νέμοντες.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

"Εσχε τὸν τῆς εὐκλείας βαθμόν, τῆς καθ' ὑμᾶς ὁ πονηρός, Ἀρχιστράτηγοι, ὁ πρώην ὡς Ἑωσφόρος, συνανατέλλων ὑμῖν, ἀλλ' ἐκ πονηρίας ὁ ἀντίπαλος, εἰς γῆν κατενήνεκται, καὶ τῷ σκότει ζεζόφωται, καὶ σὺν αὐτῷ με, καταρράξαι ἐπείγεται, τιμηθέντα με, τῆ εἰκόνι τοῦ πλάσαντος, ὅμως εἰ καὶ προπέπτωκα, Χριστός με ἀνέστησε· φάνητε οὖν μοι προστάται, καὶ προμηθεῖς καὶ ἐπίκουροι, σοφοὶ τῷ ἀθλίῳ, σωτηρίαν μοι αἰτοῦντες, καὶ μέγα ἔλεος.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

"Εδει με κατ' εἰκόνα Θεοῦ, γεγενημένον καὶ ὑμῖν συναρίθμιον, μηδ' ὅλως καθυποκῦψαι, τῷ πονηρῷ φεῦ! ἐχθρῷ, ἀλλὰ συμβουλίᾳ τοῦ ἀλάστορος, ὑμᾶς οὐκ ἐζήλωσα, ἐντολὴν δὲ ἠθέτησα, καὶ ἐκπέπτωκα, τῆς τιμῆς τοῦ ποιήσαντος, Ἀρχιστράτηγοι, καὶ δουλείᾳ καθέλκομαι, ὅμως περιπαρέντα με, τοῖς πάθεσι βλέποντες, δότε μοι χεῖρα πρὸς τρίβον, τὴν ἀνωτάτω με φέρουσαν, τυχεῖν σωτηρίας, ἐξαιτοῦντές μοι καὶ κάλλους, ἀρχαίαν εὔκλειαν.

them; * and I cannot see at all * the ways to salvation. Hence, as I proceed, * I wander about and fall * badly into the pit of hell. * But when recalling all your marvelous miracles, * I receive the healing of all my infirmity. * O that I might now quickly see * your kindly goodwill towards me! * Hasten and put out the flames of * my passions, O spirit messengers. * Release me from evils * and direct me to the light of salvation evermore.

Sticheron 5.

Sticheron 6.

Ήχος πλ. α΄. Τρίτη Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Λῦσόν μου τῆς καρδίας Σωτήρ, τὴν ἐκ δαιμόνων γενομένην μοι πώρωσιν, καὶ δός μοι δακρύων ὄμβρους, τῆς μετανοίας ὡς ἄν, τὰ πολλὰ θρηνήσω μου ἐγκλήματα, καὶ πᾶν τὸ ῥυπαῖνον, τὸν λογισμόν μου ῥυφθήσωμαι, καὶ τοῦ τῆς λήθης, σκοτασμοῦ λυτρωθήσωμαι, καὶ ἀρθήσωμαι, πρὸς καλῶν κατανόησιν, πρόσχες μοι καὶ εἰσάκουσον, ἱλάσθητι Κύριε, καὶ τὴν ἀθλίαν ψυχήν μου, τῶν τυραννούντων ἀπάλλαξον, παθῶν ὅπως εὕρω, ἐν σοὶ ἄνεσιν καὶ πράττω, τὰ σὰ θελήματα.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Χείλη μεμολυσμένα κινῶ, καὶ ὑυπαρὰς χεῖρας πρὸς σὲ Ὑπεράγαθε, καρδίαν συγκεχωσμένην, τοῖς πονηροῖς λογισμοῖς, ὀφθαλμοὺς τυφλώττων ὁ πανάθλιος, ψυχὴν περιφέρω, ἐσκοτισμένην τοῖς πάθεσι, καὶ ταῖς ἀτόποις, ἡδοναῖς ὁ παμβέβηλος συγκαλύπτομαι, καὶ οὐκ ἔχω ἀνάνευσιν, ἔκτεινον τὰς ἀχράντους σου, παλάμας φιλάνθρωπε, σῶσόν με Σῶτερ βοῶ σοι, καὶ μολυσμοῦ ἀποκάθαρον, πολλῶν ἐγκλημάτων, καὶ δεινῶν ἐπερχομένων, ὡς πολυεύσπλαγχνος.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Ψῦξον τοὺς ὀχετοὺς Ἰησοῦ, τοὺς θολερούς, καὶ τοὺς χειμάρρους ἀνάστειλον, καὶ ὅμβρους πολλῶν δακρύων, ἐν κατανύξει ψυχῆς, ἀγαθὲ παράσχου τῆ καρδία μου,

Mode pl. 1. Tuesday Sticheron 1.

Savior, dissolve my hardness of heart *
which has resulted from demonic activity,
* and grant unto me in torrents * tears of
repentance, that I * may lament my many
grave iniquities, * and also may wash myself
* clean of all that pollutes my thoughts, * and
from the darkness of forgetfulness be released,
* and may rise unto a perception of what is
good. * Hearken unto me and attend. * Be
gracious to me, O Lord, * and set me free from
the passions * that are oppressing my wretched
soul, * that I might in You find * relaxation
and may function according to Your will.

Sticheron 2.

Good Lord, I set in motion my lips * that are polluted and extend filthy hands to You. * My heart is completely buried * beneath depraved evil thoughts, * and my eyes are blinded, wretched that I am. * The passions have darkened the soul I carry about with me, * and the unseemly pleasures cover me all around, * hateful that I am, and from these I have no relief. * Stretch out Your undefiled hands, * O Lover of man, to me. * Save me, O Savior, I cry out * to You, and cleanse from impurity * of many offenses * and from ills that are to follow, O sympathetic Lord.

Sticheron 3.

ἰδοὺ ἀπεμάκρυνα, ἀπὸ σοῦ ὡς ὁ Ἄσωτος, καὶ ἐγυμνώθην, ἀπὸ πάσης θελήσεως, σῆς χρηστότητος, πολυέλεε Κύριε, ἥμαρτον μὴ παρίδης με, μὴ λάβη με τέλεον, ὥσπερ ὑπεύθυνον ὄντα, ὁ ἀλαζὼν καὶ παμπόνηρος, ἐχθρὸς ἀλλὰ τάχει, τῆς αὐτοῦ με τυραννίδος, Δέσποτα λύτρωσαι.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

'Ρεῦμα σφοδρὸν καὶ πάνυ δεινόν, τῆς καταιγίδος τῶν παθῶν τῆ καρδία μου, ἐχύθη καὶ κατακλύζει, καὶ εἰς βυθὸν ζοφερόν, συνωθεῖ ἀτόπου ἀπογνώσεως, αὐτὸς ἀοράτω, ἐπιστασία σου φάνηθι, καὶ τῆ ἰσχύϊ, τῆς σεπτῆς συμπαθείας σου, τοῦτο ξήρανον, καὶ εἰς τέλος ἀφάνισον, ῥεῖθρά μοι παρεχόμενος, πλημμύρη ἀοίδιμε, τὰ καταρδεύοντα φρένας, καὶ νοῦν καὶ ἔννοιαν ἄπασαν, δι' ὧν ἐκβλαστάνειν, ἱλασμὸν καὶ σωτηρίαν, δίδου μοι Πρόδρομε.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Όλην μου τὴν καρδίαν σοφέ, καὶ τὴν διάνοιαν ἐν σοὶ ἀνατέθεικα, γενοῦ μοι θερμὸς προστάτης, καὶ σωτηρίας ἐλπίς, βοηθὸς καὶ φύλαξ, καὶ κραταίωμα, φρουρός ἀσφαλέστατος, κυβερνήτης πανάριστος, λιμὴν καὶ τεῖχος, ἐκ κινδύνων ῥυόμενος, ἐξ ἐχθρῶν δεινῶν, ἀφαρπάζων με Πρόδρομε· ἔχεις γὰρ ἀπροσμάχητον, πρεσβείαν καὶ δύναμιν, ἔχεις παμμάκαρ ἀμέτρους, τοὺς οἰκτιρμοὺς καὶ συμπάθειαν, δι' ὧν σκέπε φρούρει, διαφύλαττε διδούς μοι, τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Sticheron 4.

Sticheron 5.

Wholly have I entrusted to You, * O wise and holy Baptist John, all my heart and mind. * Become a most earnest patron * for me, a helper and guard, * my hope of salvation, and a source of strength, * superlative helmsman and a most trustworthy sentinel, * haven and rampart. And, O Forerunner, rescue me * from pernicious foes, and from perils deliver me. * For you have uncontestably * the power to intercede, * and you possess, O all-blest one, * immense compassion and sympathy; * through which guard and shelter, * and look out for me while granting great mercy unto me.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Δός μοι κατατρυφῆσαι τῆς σῆς, εὐπρεπεστάτης, καὶ λαμπρᾶς ὡραιότητος, καθάρας τὸν ῥύπον πάντα, τῆς ἐμπαθοῦς βιοτῆς, διὰ μετανοίας καὶ δακρύων μου καὶ γάρ σὺ ἐπίστασαι, τῆς ψυχῆς μου τὸν ἔρωτα, τὸν θεῖον πόθον, καὶ τὸ φίλτρον τὸ ἄμετρον, ὅπερ κέκτημαι, μεγαλύνων σε Πρόδρομε, πλήρωσόν μου τὴν ἔφεσιν, κὰν μέγα τὸ αἴτημα, κὰν ὑπερβαίνη τὰ μέτρα, τῆς ταλαιπώρου ἀξίας μου, Χριστὸν ἱκετεύων, τὸν παρέχοντα τῷ κόσμῳ, τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Ήχος πλ. α΄. Τετάρτη Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Παῦσον τὰς τῶν δαιμόνων ὁρμάς, τὰς κατ' ἐμοῦ ἐπερχομένας φιλάνθρωπε, ζητούντων τοῦ θανατῶσαι, τὴν ταπεινήν μου ψυχήν, καὶ καταγαγεῖν με εἰς ἀπώλειαν, αὐτῶν τὰς βουλάς τε, καὶ τὰς ἐνέδρας ματαίωσον, τὰς καθ' ἑκάστην, ἐν νυκτὶ καὶ ἡμέρα τε, καὶ ἐκλύτρωσαι, ἀπὸ τούτων με Δέσποτα, παῦσον τὸ πολυτάραχον, τοῦ βίου κλυδώνιον, ῥῦσαι γεέννης καὶ σκότους, τοῦ αἰωνίζοντος δέομαι, Χριστὲ ὅταν ἔλθης, κρῖναι κόσμον μετὰ δόξης, ὡς ὑπεράγαθος.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Βίβλων ἀνοιγομένων Χριστέ, ἐν τῇ ἡμέρᾳ τῆς φρικτῆς παρουσίας σου, καὶ πάντων παρισταμένων, τῷ κριτηρίῳ τῷ σῷ, καὶ ἀποβλεπόντων τὴν ἀπόφασιν, πυρὸς πρὸ τοῦ βήματος, ἑλκομένου καὶ σάλπιγγος, σφοδρῶς ἡχούσης, τί ποιήσω ὁ ἄθλιος, ἐλεγχόμενος, ὑπὸ τῆς συνειδήσεως, καὶ καταδικαζόμενος,

Sticheron 6.

Mode pl. 1. Wednesday Sticheron 1.

Sticheron 2.

When books shall be laid open, O Christ,

* on that most terrifying day when You come
again, * when all people shall appear before

* Your just tribunal, O Lord, * everyone
awaiting their verdict from You, * when
fire shall pour out and flow in front of the
judgment seat, * and when the trumpet shall be

εἰς φλόγα τὴν ἄσβεστον; Δέομαι οὖν πρὸ τοῦ τέλους, λύσιν εὑρεῖν τῶν πταισμάτων μου, Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός μου, ὁ δωρούμενος τῷ κόσμῳ, τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

ਔρας ἐπὶ τῶν ὤμων Χριστέ, τὸν σὸν Σταυρόν, ἐπὶ τὸ πάθος ἐρχόμενος, καὶ τύπον ἡμῖν παρέσχες, ἐν σοὶ τοῖς θέλουσι ζῆν, πῶς συνδοξασθῶμέν σοι καὶ ζήσωμεν, αὐτὸς καταξίωσον, καὶ ἡμᾶς συμμετόχους σοι, τῶν παθημάτων, καὶ τῆς δόξης γενήσεσθαι, τὴν σὴν νέκρωσιν, ἑαυτοῖς περιφέροντας, νέκρωσόν μου φιλάνθρωπε, σαρκός τὰ σκιρτήματα, καὶ ἐκ τοῦ θείου σου φόβου, μέλη τὰ ταύτης καθήλωσον, νεκρὸν πρὸς τὸν κόσμον, ζῶντα δὲ ταῖς ἐντολαῖς σου, μόνον ποιήσας με.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Κλαίω καὶ σκυθρωπάζω πικρῶς, κατανοῶν τὸ φοβερὸν λογοθέσιον, ἐξ ἔργων μὴ κεκτημένος, ἀπολογίας μικρᾶς, ἀφορμὴν ὁ τάλας· διὸ δέομαι, πρὶν ἢ ἐπιφθάσῃ με, τέλος βίου τὸ ἄδηλον, πρὸ τῆς δρεπάνης, πρὸ θανάτου, πρὸ κρίσεως, πρὸ τοῦ μέλλειν με, τὰς εὐθύνας εἰσπράττεσθαι, ἔνθα τὸ πῦρ τὸ ἄσβεστον, καὶ σκότος ἐξώτερον, ὅπου ὁ σκώληξ ἐκεῖνος, ὁ κατεσθίων τοὺς πταίοντας, Άγνὴ τῶν πταισμάτων, ἀπολύτρωσίν μοι δίδου, καὶ μέγα ἔλεος.

sounded resoundingly, * what am I the wretch then to do, for I am accused * by my own conscience and condemned * to flames that are never doused? * O Christ my God, hence with fervor * do I implore that before the end * I might find remission * of my sins from You Who grant Your great mercy to the world.

Sticheron 3.

Going unto Your Passion, O Christ, * upon Your shoulders did You take up Your precious Cross, * becoming for us, who wish to live * in You, a model of how * we might live and might be glorified with You. * We pray You to grant to us * who now carry Your death about * within ourselves that we become the participants * of the sufferings and the glory along with You. * Deaden the movements of my flesh, * and nail down its members too, * using the pure and divine fear * of You, O Lover of humankind. * And thus making me dead * to the world, make me alive unto Your commands alone.

Sticheron 4.

Weeping, I grieve and bitterly sulk * when meditating on the terrible reckoning, * not having through deeds acquired * the ground for even a weak * plea in my defense. Hence, I the wretch entreat: * O pure one, bestow on me the remission of all my sins, * before my life ends in an hour unknown to me, * and before the sickle, before death and Judgement Day, * also before I must collect * whatever is due to me, * where the unquenchable fire is, * the outer darkness, and then that worm

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Θρόνος Χερουβικὸς ἀληθῶς, ὡς ὑπερτέρα τῶν κτισμάτων γεγένησαι· ἐν σοὶ γὰρ ὁ θεῖος Λόγος, τὴν ἡμετέραν μορφήν, ἀναπλάσαι θέλων κατεσκήνωσε, καὶ σοῦ ἐξελήλυθε, σαρκοφόρος ὡς εὔσπλαγχνος, Σταυρὸν καὶ πάθος, δι' ἡμᾶς κατεδέξατο, καὶ ἀνάστασιν, ὡς Θεὸς ἐδωρησατο· ὅθεν ὡς καταλλάξασαν, ἡμῶν τὴν κατάκριτον, φύσιν τῷ Πλάστη σὺν τούτῳ, εὐχαριστοῦντές σοι κράζομεν· Παράσχου πταισμάτων, τὴν συγχώρησιν εὐχαῖς σου, ἡμῖν καὶ ἔλεος.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Υεῖθρα δακρυρροίας ἐμῆς, τῆς ἐξ ὀμμάτων μου, Υἱὲ ποθεινότατε, ὁ χρόνος ξηράναι ὅλως, οὐ κατισχύσει ποτέ, ἡ Ἁγνὴ θρηνοῦσα ἀπεφθέγγετο· σὺ φῶς γὰρ τὸ ἄδυτον, τὸ φωτίζον φωτίσματι, δι' οὖ φωστῆρες, οἱ μεγάλοι πεπήγασιν, οἱ οὐράνιοι, καὶ τὸ πᾶν κατουσίωται, τί μοι τὸ βλέπειν ἥλιον, φωτὸς ἐμοῦ δύναντος; φῶς μου γλυκὸ πῶς ἐσβέσθης, ὁ φωτισμὸς τοῦ προσώπου μου; Λοιπὸν ἀπαλείψω τῶν δακρύων μου τοῖς ῥείθροις, κόρας ὀμμάτων μου.

Ήχος πλ. α΄. Πέμπτη Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Βέλη ἠκονημένα ὑμεῖς, τοῦ δυνατοῦ ἀποσταλέντες Ἀπόστολοι, εἰς πᾶσαν τὴν οἰκουμένην, ἀπτέρῳ τάχει σαφῶς, πάντα τῶν δαιμόνων ἀπημβλύνατε, δεινὰ καὶ πυρίφλογα, βέλη ὄντως μακάριοι, πολυθεΐαν, ἐκποδὼν

* devouring transgressors. * And I pray you, grant, O Virgin, great mercy unto me.

Sticheron 5.

Sticheron 6.

Mode pl. 1. Thursday Sticheron 1. ποιησάμενοι, καὶ διδάξαντες, τὴν εὐσέβειαν ἄπαντας, πρόβατα χρηματίσαντες, Χριστοῦ τοῦ Θεοῦ ἡμῶν, τοῦ ἀρχιποίμενος ὄντως, ὃς λύκων μέσον ἀπέστειλεν, ὑμᾶς τοῦ πραΰναι, τὴν αὐτῶν θηριωδίαν, διὰ τῆς πίστεως.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Λόγω μαθητευθέντες Θεοῦ, ἐνυποστάτω τῷ βροτοῖς ὁμιλήσαντι, δι' ἄκραν φιλανθρωπίαν, καὶ προσλαβόντι αὐτῶν, ἀληθῶς τὴν φύσιν καὶ θεώσαντι, αὐτῷ οὖν ἑπόμενοι, θείοις ἴχνεσι πάνσοφοι, καὶ τὴν πτωχείαν, τὴν αὐτοῦ ἐμιμήσασθε, πάντα σκύβαλα, ἡγησάμενοι ἔνδοξοι· ὅθεν καὶ ἀπερρίψατε, χιτῶνα τὸν δεύτερον, μὴ βακτηρίαν, μὴ πήραν, ἐν τῇ ὁδῷ ἐπαγόμενοι, καὶ νῦν οὐρανίους, θησαυροὺς κληρονομῆσαι, κατηξιώθητε.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Σάλου τῶν πειρασμῶν καὶ δεινῆς, ἐρεσχελίας τῶν ἀσέμνων αἰρέσεων, δαιμόνων κακοβουλίας, καὶ τῶν ἀνθρώπων πικρᾶς, συστροφῆς καὶ ζάλης παμμακάριστοι, πυρός ἀφεγγοῦς τε, καὶ αἰωνίζοντος σκώληκος, βρυγμοῦ ὀδόντων, καὶ πάσης ἄλλης κολάσεως, ταῖς πρὸς Κύριον, ἱκεσίαις λυτρώσασθαι, πάντας ἡμᾶς, καὶ τεύξασθαι, αὐτόν δυσωπήσατε, δι' ἐγκρατείας, καὶ πόνων, τῶν ἀρετῆς ἀντιδόσεων, τυχεῖν κληρουχίας, οὐρανῶν τε Βασιλείας, καὶ μέγα ἔλεος.

Sticheron 2.

You were disciples of the divine * and hypostatic Word of God Who from utmost love * for mankind sojourned with mortals, * and Who in truth did assume * their entire nature deifying it. * Most glorious wise men, therefore you followed in His godly steps * and imitated His example of poverty, * counting everything to be rubbish most prudently. * Thus for your journey you did not * provide yourselves with a staff * or with a bag; and with courage * the second tunic you put away. * And hence you were truly * counted worthy to inherit heavenly treasures now.

Sticheron 3.

By your fervent entreaties redeem * us from the surging of temptations, O holy men, * and from the eloquent prattle * of undevout heresies, * and from all the demons' great malevolence, * all-blessed Apostles, and from the tumult of the masses, * and from the fire that is lightless, and from the worm * that will never cease, and from gnashing of teeth as well. * Also implore the Lord that we, * through labors and self-control, * might thus receive the rewards for * attaining virtues with piety, * and find an allotment * and great mercy in the Kingdom of heaven evermore.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Χαίροις, ἡ ἱερὰ κεφαλή, τὸ καθαρὸν τῶν ἀρετῶν καταγώγιον, ὁ θεῖος τῆς θειοτάτης, ἱερωσύνης κανών, ὁ ποιμὴν ὁ μέγας ὁ φανότατος, πυρσὸς ὁ τῆς νίκης, ἐπιφερόμενος ὄνομα, ὁ δεομένοις, συμπαθῶς ἐπικλώμενος, ὁ καμπτόμενος, ἀσθενῶν ταῖς δεήσεσι, ῥύστης ὁ ἐτοιμότατος, φρουρὸς ὁ σωτήριος, πᾶσι τοῖς πίστει τιμῶσι, τὴν πανσεβάσμιον μνήμην σου, Χριστὸν ἐκδυσώπει, ταῖς ψυχαῖς ἡμῶν δοθῆναι, τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Χαίροις, ὁ ἱερώτατος νοῦς, τὸ τῆς Τριάδος καθαρὸν ἐνδιαίτημα, ὁ στῦλος τῆς Ἐκκλησίας, ὁ τῶν πιστῶν στηριγμός, καταπονουμένων ἡ βοήθεια, ἀστὴρ ὁ ταῖς λάμψεσιν, εὐπροσδέκτων δεήσεων, διασκεδάζων, πειρασμῶν τε καὶ θλίψεων, σκότος πάντοτε, Ἱεράρχα Νικόλαε, ὅρμος ὁ γαληνότατος, ἐν ῷ καταφεύγοντες, οἱ τρικυμίαις τοῦ βίου, περιστατούμενοι σῷζονται, Χριστὸν ἐκδυσώπει, ταῖς ψυχαῖς ἡμῶν δοθῆναι, τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Χαίροις, ὁ ζήλου θείου πλησθείς, ἀπαγωγῆς τε πονηρᾶς λυτρωσάμενος, ἀδίκως μέλλοντας θνήσκειν, ἐπιστασία φρικτῆ, καὶ ταῖς δι' ὀνείρων προσφοιτήσεσι, πηγὴ ἡ πηγάζουσα, ἐν τοῖς Μύροις Νικόλαε, μύρα πλουσίως, καὶ ψυχὰς καταρδεύουσα, τὰ δυσώδη τε, τῶν παθῶν ἀπελαύνουσα, μάχαιρα τὰ ζιζάνια, τῆς πλάνης ἐκτέμνουσα, πτύον λικμίζον Ἀρείου, τὰ ἀχυρώδη διδάγματα,

Sticheron 4.

Sticheron 5.

Rejoice, pure habitation wherein * the Holy Trinity made its dwelling, most sacred mind, * the Church's unshaken pillar, and the believers' support, * for you are the help of all who are oppressed. * O Star that at all times dispels the gloom of adversities * and of temptations by the radiance of your prayers * that are well received, holy Hierarch Nicholas, * calm haven wherein those who meet the turbulent storms of life * and are surrounded by tempests escape for refuge and hence are saved. * To Christ pray with fervor, * holy father, that great mercy be given to our souls.

Sticheron 6.

Χριστὸν ἐκδυσώπει, ταῖς ψυχαῖς ἡμῶν δοθῆναι, τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Ήχος πλ. α΄. Παρασκευὴ Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Παῦσαι τοὺς πόνους θέλων βροτῶν, καὶ τὰ ὀνείδη, ὑπεράγαθε Κύριε, Σωτήρ μου σταύρωσιν φέρεις, τὴν ἐπονείδιστον, χολῆς δὲ ἐγεύσω ἀνεξίκακε, ἡμῶν τὴν πικρίαν, πᾶσαν ἐξαίρων τὴν κάκιστον, ἐπλήγης λόγχῃ, τὴν πλευρὰν τὴν ἀκήρατον, τὰς πληγὰς ἡμῶν, ὡς Δεσπότης ἰώμενος· ὅθεν νῦν ἀνυμνοῦμέν σου, τὴν ἔνδοξον σταύρωσιν, καὶ προσκυνοῦντες τιμῶμεν, λόγχην, τὸν σπόγγον, τὸν κάλαμον, δι' ὧν ἐδωρήσω, σοῦ τῷ κόσμῳ τὴν εἰρήνην, καὶ μέγα ἔλεος.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Πάθος τὸ σὸν Χριστὲ προτυπῶν, Μωσῆς ὁ μέγας σου θεράπων ἀνύψωσεν, οἰκτίρμον χαλκοῦν τὸν ὄφιν, ὄφεων βλάβης βροτούς, ἰοβόλου δήγματος ἐξαιρούμενος, καὶ νῦν σταυρωθέντος σου, ἐπὶ ξύλου μακρόθυμε, κόσμος ἐκ βλάβης, ἐλυτρώθη τοῦ ὄφεως, καὶ ἀνυψώθη, ἀπὸ γῆς πρὸς οὐράνια· ὅθεν καὶ ἀγαλλόμενοι, ὑμνοῦμεν τὸ κράτος σου, καὶ τὸν Σταυρόν σου τιμῶμεν, καὶ προσκυνοῦμεν φιλάνθρωπε, δι' οὖ πᾶσα κτίσις, εὖρεν ἄπονον ἀξίαν, καὶ μέγα ἔλεος.

Mode pl. 1. Friday Sticheron 1.

Wishing, O most benevolent Lord, * to end the troubles and reproaches on mortal men, * You suffered a most disgraceful death * by crucifixion for all, * O forbearing Savior, and You tasted gall, * in this way removing all our most venomous bitterness. * And You were wounded with a lance in Your spotless side, * thereby granting healing, O Master, unto our wounds. * Glorious was Your death upon * the Cross that we now extol. * With veneration we honor * the lance, the sponge, and the reed as well, * through which did You freely * grant Your peace and Your great mercy unto the universe.

Sticheron 2.

Moses Your mighty servant, O Christ, *
set up a brazen serpent, thus saving mortals
from * the harm of the poison bite of * the
deadly serpents, and thus * prefigured Your
Passion, O compassionate, * longsuffering
Lord. And now, on a cross You were crucified,
* and hence the world has been redeemed
from the serpent's harm * and has been
uplifted from earth unto heaven's heights. *
Therefore exultantly we sing * extolling Your
sovereignty, * and with prostrations we honor
* Your Cross, O Lover of humankind. * For
all of creation * has through it obtained great
mercy and easy-gotten worth.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Θέλων τὰς διαθέσεις Ἀδάμ, τοῦ πρωτοπλάστου ἐξηλῶσαι φιλάνθρωπε, εἰς τέλος πᾶσαν ὀδύνην, ὁ πλαστουργὸς τοῦ Ἀδάμ, ἤλοις προσηλώθης ἀναμάρτητε, Χριστὲ καὶ τῇ λόγχῃ, θείαν πλευρὰν τρωθεὶς δι' ἡμᾶς, κωλύεις Λόγε, τὴν ῥομφαίαν τὴν φλέγουσαν, μὴ κωλύειν ἡμῖν, τοῖς σοῖς δούλοις τὴν εἴσοδον· ὅθεν δοξολογοῦντές σε, ὑμνοῦμεν τὸ κράτος σου, καὶ τὸν Σταυρόν σου τιμῶμεν, καὶ προσκυνοῦμεν φιλάνθρωπε, δι' οὖ πᾶσα κτίσις, εὖρεν ἄπονον ἀξίαν, καὶ μέγα ἔλεος.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

"Εχων πεφορτισμένον ἀεί, τὸ τῆς ψυχῆς μου ἐπαυχένιον Δέσποινα, ἐκ πλήθους ἁμαρτημάτων, καὶ συμφορῶν χαλεπῶν, οὐ τολμῶ πρὸς ὕψος ἆραι ὄμματα· διὸ νενευκὼς εἰς γῆν, ἐκ καρδίας κραυγάζω σοι· Ἐλέησόν με, ἡ Θεὸν πολυεύσπλαγχνον, ἀνατείλασα, ἐξ ἀχράντου νηδύος σου, δεῖξον τῶν θαυμασίων σου, τὸ πλῆθος τὸ ἄπειρον, καὶ τὰς ἀχράντους καὶ θείας, πρὸς τὸν Υἰόν σου ἐκτείνασα, Παρθένε παλάμας, σωτηρίαν μοι παράσχου, ταῖς ἱκεσίαις σου.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Λαῖλαψ ἁμαρτιῶν χαλεπή, ἐν τῷ πελάγει με τοῦ βίου κατέλαβε, καὶ ζάλη καὶ τρικυμία, καὶ πρὸς βυθὸν συνωθεῖ, τὴν ἐμὴν καρδίαν ἀπογνώσεως. Ἁγνὴ ταῖς πρεσβείαις σου, τὴν ζωήν μου κυβέρνησον, πρὸς τὸν λιμένα, τῆς ζωῆς τὸν ἀκύμαντον, πρὸς μετάνοιαν, καὶ τελείαν διόρθωσιν, ἴδε μου τὴν ἀσθένειαν,

Sticheron 3.

Sticheron 4.

Lady, since the shoulders of my soul *
indeed are always heavy laden with multitudes
* of sins and with grievous hardships, * and I
am bowed to the ground, * I dare not to lift up
my eyes toward the heights. * And therefore
I cry to you from the depths of my heart and
say: * On me have mercy, you who ushered
into the world * from your spotless womb
the compassionate God of all. * Show your
illimitable store * of marvelous miracles, *
and also stretch out your holy * and undefiled
hands unto your Son, * O Virgin, and grant
me, * by your fervent supplications, salvation
of my soul.

Sticheron 5.

καὶ πρόσχες τῇ κρίσει μου, δίδου μοι χεῖρα κειμένω, σῆς βοηθείας Πανύμνητε, Χριστὸν ἡ τεκοῦσα, τὸν παρέχοντα τῷ κόσμω, τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Ύλην ἁμαρτιῶν χαλεπῶν, ἐπισυνάξας ἐμαυτῷ ἐθησαύρισα, καὶ τρέμω ἀπὸ προσώπου, τοῦ σοῦ Υἰοῦ Ἁγαθή, πῶς ὑποίσω τότε τὸ κριτήριον· καὶ γὰρ ποταμὸς πυρός, ἕλκει βήματος ἔμπροσθεν, καὶ μυριάδες, τῶν Ἁγγέλων παρίστανται, τοὺς ἀνομοῦντας, ἐν αὐτῷ ἀποὀρίπτοντες· ὅθεν πρὸ τῆς ἐξόδου μου, τοῦ βίου Πανάχραντε, καθικετεύω πρεσβεῦσαι, ὑπὲρ ἐμοῦ τὸν φιλάνθρωπον, κριτὴν ἐλεῆσαι, καὶ συγχώρησίν μοι δοῦναι, καὶ μέγα ἔλεος.

Ήχος πλ. α΄. Σάββατον Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Φεῖσαι τοῦ σοῦ οἰκέτου Χριστέ, ἡνίκα μέλλει ἡ ψυχή μου τοῦ σώματος, προστάξει σου χωρισθῆναι, τοῦ ἀγαγόντος εἰς ἔν, τὸν χοῦν καὶ τὸ πνεῦμα, θείῳ νεύματι, ἐχθρῶν ἀοράτων, ἐπιδρομῆς καὶ κακώσεως, ἐνεδρευόντων, ἀφειδῶς διασπᾶσαί με, καὶ κατάβρωμα, ἑαυτῶν ἀπεργάσασθαι, ῥῦσαί με καὶ ἀξίωσον, τυχεῖν ἀναψύξεως, ἔνθα ἀπέδρα ὀδύνη, καὶ στεναγμός, ἔνθα πέφυκε, τρυφῆς ὁ χειμάρῥους, καὶ φωνὴ ἑορταζόντων, καὶ ἀγαλλίασις.

Sticheron 6.

Mode pl. 1. Saturday Sticheron 1.

Spare me Your humble servant, O Christ,

* during the hour when my soul shall be parted
from * my body, upon Your order, * which
once had brought into one * the dust and the
spirit by divine command. * Deliver me from
attacks and abuse from the unseen foes * who
lie in ambush to disjoint me unsparingly *
and to make of me for themselves something
to devour. * O count me worthy to attain *
refreshment wherein all pain, * distress and
sighing are absent, * and wherein issues the
torrent of * delight, and the sound of * those
who celebrate reechoes and exultation reigns.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

"Ωραν τῆς τελευτῆς δεδοικώς, καὶ τῶν δαιμόνων τὴν φρικτὴν ἐπανάστασιν, βοῶ σοι ἐκ κατωδύνου, ψυχῆς ὁ τάλας ἐγώ. Τὰς αὐτῶν παγίδας καὶ τὰ σκάνδαλα, τῆ σῆ δυναστεία, Δέσποτα Κύριε σύντριψον, καὶ μὴ ἐάσης, τῆς αὐτῶν με σκαιότητος, παρανάλωμα, χρηματίσαι τὸν δοῦλόν σου· ἴδε μου τὴν κατήφειαν, καὶ πρόσχες τῆ θλίψει μου, καὶ τὴν ἀθλίαν ψυχήν μου, τῶν ὀδυνῶν ἐλευθέρωσον, Θεὲ πανοικτίρμον, ὁ δωρούμενος τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

'Ωσπερ ή Χαναναία Σωτήρ, κάγὼ βοῶ σοι· Τὴν ψυχήν μου θεράπευσον, καὶ ῥῦσαι δαιμόνων βλάβης, καὶ ἐπηρείας ἐχθρῶν, τῶν παρὰ τὴν φύσιν ἐνοχλούντων με, ἀεὶ καὶ φθειρόντων, τὸ κατ' εἰκόνα σου Κύριε, καὶ ἐξελκόντων, λογισμοῦ τὸ κριτήριον, εἰς ἀνόητα, καὶ ψεκτὰ ἐνθυμήματα· ἄπερ ἐκ τῆς καρδίας μου ἐξάλειψον δέομαι, καὶ ἐν αὐτῆ μοι τὸν φόβον, σοῦ τὸν ἁγνότατον φύτευσον, καὶ δὸς ἐν εἰρήνῃ ἐκτελέσαι μου τὸν βίον, ἐν ταπεινώσει ψυχῆς.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Τὸν θυρεὸν τῆς πίστεως περιβαλλόμενοι, καὶ τῷ τύπῳ τοῦ Σταυροῦ, ἑαυτοὺς διαναστήσαντες, πρὸς τὰς βασάνους ἀνδρείως ἀπηυτομόλησαν, καὶ διαβόλου τὴν πλάνην καὶ τὸ θράσος κατήργησαν, οὶ Ἅγιοί σου Κύριε. Αὐτῶν ταῖς ἰκεσίαις, ὡς παντοδύναμος Θεός,

Sticheron 2.

Sticheron 3.

Savior, I cry aloud unto You * as did the Canaanite woman: O heal my soul, * and rescue me from demonic harm * and from ill-treatment of foes * who ever disturb me by abnormal means * defacing Your image, O Lord, in which You created me, * and who allure me * into choosing to ponder on * useless recollections and also reproachful thoughts. * Fervently I beseech of You * to blot them out from my heart, * and in their place, I entreat You, * there to implant purest fear of You. * And grant me, I pray You, * to complete my life in peace and humility of soul.

Sticheron 4.

Armed with the shield of faith, and rousing themselves to action with the sign of the Cross, O Lord, Your Saints of their own accord went forth courageously to the tortures, and they abolished the delusion and the audacity of the devil. At their entreaties, O omnipotent God,

τῷ κόσμῳ τὴν εἰρήνην κατάπεμψον, καὶ ταῖς ψυχαῖς ἡμῶν τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Πρεσβεύσατε ὑπὲρ ἡμῶν, ἄγιοι Μάρτυρες, ἵνα ῥυσθῶμεν τῶν ἀνομιῶν ἡμῶν· ὑμῖν γὰρ ἐδόθη χάρις, πρεσβεύειν ὑπὲρ ἡμῶν.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Άκορέστω διαθέσει ψυχῆς, Χριστὸν οὐκ ἀρνησάμενοι, ἄγιοι Μάρτυρες, τοὺς δεινοὺς καὶ διαφόρους αἰκισμούς, παθημάτων ὑπεμείνατε, τῶν τυράννων τὰ θράση κατηδαφίσατε, ἀκλινῆ καὶ ἄτρωτον τὴν πίστιν φυλάξαντες, εἰς οὐρανοὺς μετέστητε· ὅθεν καὶ παρρησίας τυχόντες πρὸς αὐτόν, αἰτήσασθε δωρηθῆναι, ἡμῖν τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Ήχος πλ. β΄. Δευτέρα Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Ό πάντων βουλόμενος, οὐχὶ τὸν θάνατον Λόγε, ἀλλὰ τὴν μετάνοιαν, τῶν ἡμαρτηκότων σοι πολυεύσπλαγχνε, Χριστὲ καὶ Κύριε, καὶ ποιῶν ἔλεος, μετ'ἐμοῦ ἀεὶ τοῦ δούλου σου, μετανοοῦντι μοι, καὶ τὴν τῶν κακῶν μοι συγχώρησιν, δι' ὧν σε παρεπίκρανα, ἐξαιτεῖν τολμῶντι συμπάθησον· ἐν ἐμοὶ γὰρ δείξης, τὴν ἄβυσσον τῶν θείων οἰκτιρμῶν, ἐὰν ἀνάξιον ὅντα με, σώσης ὡς φιλάνθρωπος.

send peace down upon the world, and great mercy upon our souls.

Sticheron 5.

Intercede on our behalf, O holy Martyrs, * that we be delivered from our iniquities. * For to you has the grace been given to intercede on our behalf.

Sticheron 6.

Refusing to deny Christ, O holy Martyrs, you endured the various painful tortures with an insatiable willingness of soul. You humbled the impudence of the tyrants, having kept your faith steadfast and invulnerable, and you were translated to heaven. Since you therefore have obtained confidence before the Lord, entreat Him that great mercy be granted to us.

Mode pl. 2. Monday Sticheron 1.

You, O Word of God, do not * desire the death but repentance * of all men who, like myself, * have committed sins against * You, O Christ and Lord. * Being most compassionate, * You extend Your mercy * unto me Your servant constantly. * Hence show me sympathy * as I now repent and presume to seek * forgiveness for my wicked deeds * by which I have often embittered You. * For if You should save me, * unworthy though I be, You shall disclose * in me the vastness of Your divine * mercies and Your love for man.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Ό μόνος φιλάνθρωπος, ὁ πάντας θέλων σωθῆναι, καὶ καλῶν ὡς εὔσπλαγχνος, τοὺς λελυπηκότας σε, πρὸς μετάνοιαν, μὴ μνησθῆς Δέσποτα, μηδαμῶς δέομαι, τῆς αἰσχύνης τῶν ἀτόπων μου, ἔργων ὧν ἔπραξα, φεῦ! τῶν ὀφθαλμῶν σου ἀπέναντι, μὴ φρίξας ὁ πανάθλιος, τὸ τῶν σῶν χειρῶν ἀναπόδραστον ὅθεν νῦν προσπίπτω, στενάζων καὶ πενθῶν, καὶ νοητῶς, τῶν σῶν ποδῶν ἐφαπτόμενος, τοῦ λαβεῖν συγχώρησιν.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Δέξαι μου τὴν δέησιν, ὁ πάντας θέλων σωθῆναι, καὶ μὴ ἀπορῥίψης με, ἀπὸ τοῦ προσώπου σου τὸν ἀνάξιον, τὸν πολλὰ πταίσαντα, ὑπὲρ πᾶσαν φύσιν, τῶν ἀνθρώπων, ἐκ νεότητος· διὸ προσπίπτω σοι, κλίνων μου τὸ γόνυ σὺν δάκρυσι, σπλαγχνίσθητι ἐλέησον, δεῖξον ἐν ἐμοὶ τὰ ἐλέη σου, Κύριε τῆς δόξης, ἐλέους ὁ Πατὴρ καὶ οἰκτιρμῶν, μή με ἀπώση τὸν ἄθλιον, τὸν παρακαλοῦντά σε.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Ήχον ἑορτάσιμον, Άγγελικαί σοι χορεῖαι, ἀσιγήτοις στόμασιν, αἰωνίως μέλπουσιν, Ύπεράγαθε, σοῦ τρανῶς βλέπουσαι, τὸ ὡραῖον κάλλος, καὶ τῆς αἴγλης ἐμφορούμεναι, τῆ πρὸς τὰ χείρονα, νεύσει οὐδαμῶς ἐμφερόμεναι, ἀεὶ δὲ ἐν τοῖς ἔμπροσθεν, μᾶλλον ἀκλινῶς ἀνανεύουσαι, καὶ τὰς πανολβίους, δεχόμεναι προθύμως ἀστραπάς, ἐν παρἑησία πρεσβεύουσιν, ὑπὲρ τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν.

Sticheron 2.

You want all men to be saved, * O only Lover of mankind. * And being compassionate * You call to repentance those * who offended You. * Hence I pray You, O Lord, * by no means remember * the disgrace of the indecent deeds * which I the wretched one * woefully committed before Your eyes, * not shuddering with horror that * nobody escapes Your almighty hands. * Thereforeon my knees now * I fall down and I sigh and I lament, * mentally clasping Your holy feet * to receive forgiveness from You.

Sticheron 3.

Sticheron 4.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Τείχισον τὴν ποίμνην σου, Άγγελικαῖς προστασίαις, ὁ τὰ τούτων τάγματα, λόγῳ συστησάμενος καὶ βουλήματι, πειρασμὸν ἄπαντα, καὶ βαρβάρων θράσος, ἐκδιώκων καὶ αἰρέσεων· τῷ σῷ γὰρ αἵματι, ταύτην ἀληθῶς ἐξηγόρασας, καὶ νόμου τὸ κατάκριμα, καὶ τῆς ἁμαρτίας ἐξήλειψας, ὅπως λυτρωθεῖσα, τῶν νῦν παρενοχλούντων λυπηρῶν, ἐν ὀρθοδόξῳ φρονήματι, Σῶτερ μεγαλύνη σε.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Άρχαὶ Κυριότητες, καὶ Σεραφεὶμ σὺν τοῖς θρόνοις, Χερουβεὶμ τὰ ἄχραντα, Ἅγγελοι, Ἦρχάγγελοι, τὸν σεβάσμιον, καὶ σεπτὸν θρόνον σου, καὶ τὴν θείαν δόξαν, μετὰ δέους περιέπουσι. Δυνάμεις πᾶσαι δέ, σὺν ταῖς Ἐξουσίαις γεραίρουσι, τὴν σὴν μεγαλοπρέπειαν, καὶ τῆς σῆς προνοίας τὸ ἄφραστον, καὶ τὴν ἐν τοῖς οὖσι, σοφίαν σου θαυμάζουσι Χριστέ, καὶ παρρησία πρεσβεύουσιν, ὑπὲρ τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν.

Ήχος πλ. β΄. Τρίτη Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Όλος ἐκ νεότητος, ταῖς ἡδοναῖς ἐδουλώθην, τῆς σαρκὸς καὶ γέγονα, παθῶν καταγώγιον τυραννούντων με, τῆς ψυχῆς ὅλως δέ, ἀλογήσας Σῶτερ, ἐντολῶν σου κατεφρόνησα, ἀλλὰ ὁ πλάσας με, καὶ εἰδὼς ἡμῶν τὴν ἀσθένειαν, ὁ μόνος ἀναμάρτητος, δός μοι τὴν συγχώρησιν εὔσπλαγχνε, ὧν περ

Sticheron 5.

Sticheron 6.

Dominions, Authorities, * the Seraphim and Archangels, * Angels and immaculate * Cherubim as well as Thrones * overcome with awe * all attend Your sublime * and most venerated * throne and holy glory with respect. * And all the Powers too, * with the Principalities, glorify * Your wonderful magnificence * and Your inexpressible providence, * and they are amazed by * Your wisdom in the things that are, O Christ. * And on behalf of our souls do they * intercede with confidence.

Mode pl. 2. Tuesday Sticheron 1.

Wholly from my childhood * am I enslaved to the pleasures * of the flesh and have become * a haunt of the passions that * are oppressing me. * Totally unconcerned * with my soul, O Savior, * Your commandments I did not regard. * Nevertheless, since You * fashioned me and know my infirmity * and truly are

έν ἀγνοία καὶ γνώσει, αἰσθητῶς καὶ νοητῶς, ἀπὸ νεότητος ἥμαρτον, μόνε εὐσυμπάθητε.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Τίς ἐκ τοῦ θανάτου με, τῆς ταλαιπώρου σαρκός μου, ῥύσεται, καὶ σώσει μου, τὴν ψυχὴν ἀπήμονα καὶ ἀπείραστον; τυραννεῖ βία γάρ, εὐπαθοῦσα αὕτη, καὶ ψυχῆς κατεξανίσταται, καὶ θλίβει πάλιν δέ, ἀσθενοῦσα, οἴμοι τῷ τάλανι! Ἀντέχειν οὖν οὐ δύναμαι, πρὸς τὴν ταύτης Σῶτερ ἀσθένειαν, ἀλλ' ὧ Ποιητά μου, μὴ δώσης νικηθῆναι τῷ χοΐ, τὸ πνεῦμα, ὅ μοι ἐνέπνευσας, ὡς αὐτὸς εὐδόκησας.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Όταν τῆ προστάξει σου, ἐκ τῶν δεσμῶν τοῦ σαρκίου, βουληθῆς χωρίσαι μου, τὴν ψυχὴν Ἀθάνατε, τότε φεῖσαί μου, προσηνῆ Ἄγγελον, χαροποιῶς βλέποντα, ἀποστείλας παραλήψεσθαι, καὶ διασώσεσθαι, ἀπὸ τῶν ἀρχόντων τοῦ σκότους με, εὐκόλως δυναμοῦντά με, τοῦ εὐθυπορῆσαι τὴν ἄνοδον, τὴν ἐν τῷ ἀέρι, καὶ φθάσαι εἰς προσκύνησιν τοῦ σοῦ, θρόνου φρικτοῦ ἀκατάκριτον, Θεὲ ὑπεράγαθε.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Ό κατεγνωσμένος ἐν ἀσωτία, σοὶ τῷ ὑπὲρ λόγον δεδοξασμένω, προσπίπτω, καὶ δέομαι ἐκ βάθους τῆς καρδίας, ἴδε τὴν θλῖψιν τῆς ψυχῆς μου, τῆς χαρᾶς ὁ προλάμψας, ἴδε τὰ ἔλκη τῆς καρδίας, μετανοίας ὁ κήρυξ, καὶ παράσχου μοι

compassionate * and alone without sin, forgive the sins * which I have committed * in knowledge and in ignorance from youth, * both with my senses and mentally, * only sympathetic Lord.

Sticheron 2.

Who will keep my soul immune * to every harm and temptation; * and who will deliver me * from this death, and namely this sordid flesh of mine? * For when it feels at ease * then it tyrannizes * and it rises up against the soul. * And it afflicts again * when it is infirm. Woe to me the wretch! * And then, O Savior, I am not * able to endure its infirmity. * Hence, O my Creator, * I earnestly entreat, let not the dust * defeat the spirit which into me * You were pleased to insufflate.

Sticheron 3.

Sticheron 4.

τὴν σωτηρίαν, διὰ τῆς θείας πρεσβείας σου Πρόδρομε, καθικετεύων τὸν Κύριον.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Όλος ἐν κακία κατεγνωσμένος, ὅλος ἀπογνώσει βεβυθισμένος, αὐτὸς πονηρότατος, καὶ ζοφερὸς ὑπάρχω, ὅλως κατεστιγμένος ὅλος, ἐξ ἡδονῶν ἀτόπων, ὅλως δεινῶς κατεφθαρμένος, καὶ κατηχρειωμένος, σοῦ τοῖς ἴχνεσι προσπίπτω Μάκαρ, μὴ ἀποὀρίψης, ἀλλὰ σῶσον Ἰωάννη με, φίλε Κυρίου καὶ Πρόδρομε.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Ύῦσαι τὴν ψυχήν μου πικροῦ θανάτου, τοῦ τῆς ἁμαρτίας καὶ τῶν πταισμάτων, πανεύφημε Πρόδρομε, καὶ ζώωσον ἐν ἔργοις θείοις, Χριστοῦ τῶν προσταγμάτων, πρεσβειῶν σου δυνάμει, παῦσον πολέμους ἀοράτως, τοὺς ἐμὲ πολεμοῦντας, καὶ ὁδήγησον ὁδοῖς εὐθείαις, τῆς αἰωνίου καὶ σωτηρίου καταπαύσεως, ταῖς πρὸς Θεὸν ἰκεσίαις σου.

³Ηχος πλ. β΄. Τετάρτη Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Ό Θεὸς ὁ θέλων σωθῆναι πάντας, ἐπίβλεψον, ἴδε τὴν προσευχήν μου, καὶ μή μου τὰ δάκρυα, ὡς μάταια ἀπώση· τίς γὰρ προσῆλθέ σοι προσπίπτων, καὶ εὐθὺς οὐκ ἐσώθη; τίς δὲ ἐβόησε θερμῶς σοι, καὶ εὐθὺς οὐκ ἠκούσθη; καὶ γὰρ Δέσποτα, ταχὺς εὑρίσκη, εἰς σωτηρίαν πᾶσι τοῖς αἰτοῦσί σε Κύριε, διὰ τὸ μέγα σου ἔλεος.

Sticheron 5.

Totally condemned am I by my vices. * I am sunk completely in desperation. * Yes, I am extremely bad in every way and gloomy, * covered with blemishes all over, * entirely corrupted * woefully by unseemly pleasures, * and through abuse am worthless. * I fall prostrate at your feet and beg you, * O blessed John, reject me not, but rather rescue me, * O friend and Forerunner of the Lord.

Sticheron 6.

Mode pl. 2. Wednesday Sticheron 1.

God, who wish all men to be saved, I pray You, * look down and behold now my supplication, * and do not reject my tears as being ineffective. * Who ever came to You beseeching * and was not saved directly? * Who ever cried to You with fervor * and was not heard directly? * For indeed by all who truly seek You, * O Sovereign Master, You are found to be One quick to save, * because of Your great mercy, O Lord.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Τὸν ταῖς ἁμαρτίαις καταποθέντα, καὶ φιληδονίαις καταρραγέντα, ἀνάστησον εὔσπλαγχνε, τῆ σῆ φιλανθρωπία, μή με ἐπίχαρμα δαιμόνων, συγχωρήσης γενέσθαι, μηδὲ ἀνάξιον ἐάσης, τῶν φρικτῶν μυστηρίων, ἀλλὰ πρόσδεξαι ὡς ἐλεήμων, πρὸ τῆς ἐξόδου στεναγμούς μου καὶ δάκρυα, καὶ τῶν παθῶν με ἐλευθέρωσον.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Θρήνησον ψυχή μου πρὸ τῆς ἐξόδου, πρόσπεσον τῷ Κτίστῃ ἐν μετανοίᾳ, δάκρυα προσάγαγε, ἐξ ὅλης τῆς καρδίας, κρᾶξον Χριστῷ ἐν κατανύξει. Ἡμάρτηκά σοι Λόγε, δέξαι πολλὰ ἡμαρτηκότα, μή με ἀποβδελύξῃ, μὴ παρόψῃ με Δικαιοκρῖτα, μηδὲ εἰς πῦρ με ἀποπέμψης μακρόθυμε, διὰ τὸ μέγα σου ἕλεος.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Ό γάμος ηὐτρέπισται, τοῦ οὐρανίου Νυμφίου, οἱ κήρυκες κράζουσι, τί βραδύνεις μέλαινα, ἑκουσίως ψυχὴ; ῥυπαρὰ πάντα σου, ἀληθῶς ὑπάρχει, ἀσελγείαις τὰ ἱμάτια, καὶ πῶς ταλαίπωρε, μέλλεις εἰσελθεῖν, δεῦρο, πρόσπεσον, πρὸ τέλους ἐκ καρδίας σου, τῇ Ἀειπαρθένῳ κραυγάζουσα. Ὑσσώπῳ πρεσβείας, ῥαντίσασα καθάρισον Άγνή, καὶ τοῦ νυμφῶνος ἀξίωσον, ὅπως μεγαλύνω σε.

Sticheron 2.

In Your great benevolence, O my Savior, raise me, * for I have been swallowed by sinful actions. * I fell into hedonism, tenderloving Master. * Please do not let the evil demons * make fun of me, Your servant. * Do not consider me unworthy * to receive holy communion. * I implore You, O my God of mercy, * that You accept my sighs and weeping before my death, * and that You free me from the passions, O Lord.

Sticheron 3.

O my soul, lament now before your exit. *
Fall down in repentance before your Maker, *
and offer up tears to Him wholeheartedly, and
cry out * to the Messiah with compunction:
* O Word, I sinned against You. * Though I
have greatly sinned, accept me. * Abhor me
not intensely. * Righteous Judge, I pray do not
despise me, * nor send me off to the inferno,
O forbearing One, * because of Your great
mercy, O Lord.

Sticheron 4.

The wedding has been prepared * of the celestial Bridegroom. * The heralds are calling out. * Why delay you willfully, O bedarkened soul? * All your garments indeed * are filthy and soiled * by a lifestyle of debauchery. * And so, O wretched one, * how will you get in? Come, before the end, * wholeheartedly fall down before * Ever-virgin Mary and cry to her: * Purge me with the hyssop, * O pure one, of your prayers, and make me clean. * And

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Νοὸς καθαρότητι, ὁ Ἡσαΐας Παρθένε, πόρἡωθεν προέφησε, ποιητὴν τῆς κτίσεως τεξομένην σε, ὧ σεμνὴ Πάναγνε· σὺ γὰρ ἄφθης μόνη, ἐξ αἰῶνος παναμώμητος· διό σου δέομαι, τὴν μεμολυσμένην καρδίαν μου, καθάρισον καὶ λάμψεως, θείας κοινωνόν με ἀνάδειξον, Κόρη τοῦ Υἰοῦ σου, καὶ στάσεως αὐτοῦ τῆς δεξιᾶς, ὅταν καθίσῃ ὡς γέγραπται, κρῖναι κόσμον ἄπαντα.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Ή πόρνη κενώσασα, μύρου ἀλάβαστρον πάλαι, τοῖς ποσί σου Δέσποτα, πάντων ήλευθέρωται, ὧν περ ἔπραξεν, ὁ Ληστὴς μόνον σου, μνημονεύσας ὤφθη, καὶ εὐθέως εἰς Παράδεισον, αὐτὸν εἰσήγαγες, ἐγὼ δὲ τί πράξω ὁ ἄθλιος; οὐ μύρον, οὐ κατάνυξιν, ἔχω, δωρεάν με ἐλέησον, οἴκτειρόν με Λόγε, ἡ ἄχραντός σου Μήτηρ δυσωπεῖ, ἣν ἐδωρήσω τῷ κόσμῳ σου, μέγα καταφύγιον.

Ήχος πλ. β΄. Πέμπτη Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Δύναμιν οὐράνιον, τοῦ Παρακλήτου λαβόντες, τῶν ἐχθρῶν τὰς φάλαγγας, οἱ Χριστοῦ Ἀπόστολοι, ἐτροπώσαντο. Βασιλεῖς ἤλεγξαν, καὶ σοφοὺς ἤσχυναν, ἰδιῶται καὶ ἀγράμματοι, γυμνοὶ καὶ ἄοπλοι, εὐαγγελικῶς παρετάξαντο, τῷ λόγῳ δὲ τῆς χάριτος, τὰς

deem me fit for the bridal hall, * so that I may magnify you.

Sticheron 5.

Virgin, noble and all-pure, * Isaiah saw it beforehand, * for his mind was purified; * and he prophesied that you * would conceive and bear * the Creator of the world. * Only you are blameless * of all women from eternity. * Therefore I pray to you: * Purify my heart, which has been defiled. * And grant that I may once again * enjoy the divine and celestial light * of your Son, O Maiden, * and grant to me a place at His right hand * when, as is written, He sits to judge * all the world on Judgment Day.

Sticheron 6.

Mode pl. 2. Thursday Sticheron 1.

The Apostles of the Lord, * receiving heavenly power * of the Paraclete, indeed * put the close arrays of the enemy to flight. * They rebuked emperors, * and put wise men to shame. * Being common and illiterate, * naked and weaponless, * they drew up their ranks

τερατουργίας εἰργάσαντο, καὶ οὕτω τὰ ἔθνη, ὑπήκοα ποιούμενοι Χριστῷ, ἐν παἐρἡησία πρεσβεύουσιν, ὑπὲρ τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Σὲ ἐπιποθήσαντες, οἱ εὐκλεεῖς Μαθηταί σου, καὶ ἀπαρνησάμενοι, ἑαυτοὺς προθύμως σοι, ἠκολούθησαν, καὶ Σταυρὸν ἄραντες, σοῦ αὐτοῦ ὀπίσω, πειθαρχοῦντες τῇ προστάξει σου, τὴν γῆν κατέλιπον, καὶ τοὺς οὐρανοὺς ἐκληρώσαντο, τὰ ἔθνη ἐπιστρέφοντες, εἰς τὴν ἀληθῆ σου ἐπίγνωσιν, καὶ νῦν διὰ πάντων, ὑπήκοοι γενόμενοι ἀεί, ἐν παρρησία πρεσβεύουσιν, ὑπὲρ τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Άπαντα τὸν βίον μου, ἐν ἀμελείᾳ διάγων, πρὸς τὸ τέλος ἔφθασα, ἄκαρπος ὁ δείλαιος, Ύπεράγαθε, πονηρῶν πράξεων, ἐπιφέρων μόνον, νῦν φορτία τὰ δυσβάστακτα, ἄπερ φιλάνθρωπε, σκόρπισον ῥοπῆ τοῦ ἐλέους σου, καὶ δίδου μοι κατάνυξιν, καὶ ἐπιστροφὴν τὴν σωτήριον, θείαις Ἀποστόλων, πρεσβείαις εὐπροσδέκτοις ὁ Θεός, οὓς εἰς πρεσβείαν προσάγω σοι, καὶ τὴν σὲ κυήσασαν.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Νικόλαε μακάριε, προσπίπτοντά με οἴκτειρον, δέομαί σου, καὶ τὰ ὄμματα σοφέ,

evangelically. * They uttered words inspired by grace, * whereby they performed their prodigious deeds. * Therefore as they render * the nations all obedient to Christ, * they intercede now with confidence * on behalf of our souls.

Sticheron 2.

Christ, Your most illustrious * Disciples loved You intensely. * Thus according to Your word, * gladly they denied themselves * and took up the Cross, * following after You, * their Lord and their Teacher; * and obedient to Your command, * they left the earth behind * and they were alloted heaven instead. * And they converted Gentiles from * error to true knowledge of You as God. * And now, since in all things * they proved to be obedient to You, * they pray to You with all confidence, * interceding for our souls.

Sticheron 3.

I have led my life till now in carefree ease and indifference. * I am near the end of it, and I find myself devoid of spiritual fruit. * All I have is the load of my sinful actions. * O good Lord who loves humanity, * take my unbearable burdens in an act of mercy to me. * And grant compunction and sincere repentance to me that I might be saved, * by the intercessions of Your divine Apostles, which you hear * when I invoke them, and by the prayers * of Your holy Mother, O God.

Sticheron 4.

Saint Nicholas, take pity on me * who fall to you, O blessed one, * I entreat you; *

φώτισον τῆς ψυχῆς μου, ἵνα καθαρῶς βλέψω, τὸν φωτοδότην καὶ οἰκτίρμονα.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Έχθρῶν ἐπιζητούντων με, κακοποιῆσαι Ἅγιε, λύτρωσαί με, παρρησίαν πρὸς Θεόν, ὡς ἔχων Ἱεράρχα, καὶ σῶσόν με ἐκ βλάβης, καὶ ἐξ ἀνδρῶν αἰμάτων ρῦσαί με.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Λιμένα σε ἀχείμαστον, καὶ τεῖχος ἀπροσμάχητον, Ἱεράρχα, νῦν κεκτήμεθα πιστῶς, καὶ πύργον ἀσφαλείας, καὶ θύραν μετανοίας, καὶ ὁδηγὸν πιστόν, καὶ πρόμαχον.

Ήχος πλ. β΄. Παρασκευὴ Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Μακρόθυμε φιλάνθρωπε, Θεέ μου πολυέλεε, καὶ οἰκτίρμον, πῶς ὑπήνεγκας σφαγήν, καὶ νέκρωσιν ἐν ξύλῳ, ὑπὲρ ἀνθρώπων γένους; Δοξολογοῦμέν σου τὸ εὔσπλαγχνον.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

'Ραπίσματα ὑπήνεγκας, καὶ σταύρωσιν μακρόθυμε, καὶ ὀνείδη, θέλων πάντας ἐκ χειρός, λυτρώσασθαι τοῦ πλάνου, ὁ μόνος ζωοδότης, καὶ πάντα φέρεις 'Υπεράγαθε.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Άνῆλθες ὁ ποιμὴν ἐν Σταυρῷ, καὶ ἔτεινας τὰς χεῖρας βοῶν· Δεῦτε πρός με, καὶ φωτίσθητε βροτοί, οἱ πλάνῃ σκοτισθέντες· ἐγὼ γὰρ φῶς ὑπάρχω. Δόξα σοι μόνε φωτοπάροχε.

and illuminate the eyes * of my soul, O wise father, * so that I may distinctly * behold the sympathetic Giver of light.

Sticheron 5.

Sticheron 6.

Mode pl. 2. Friday Sticheron 1.

Oh, how did You my God submit * to slaughter and to death on a cross * for the sake of * humankind, O merciful, * piteous and humane One? * We therefore glorify You * for Your compassion, O forbearing Lord.

Sticheron 2.

Sticheron 3.

O Shepherd, You ascended the Cross * and, stretching out Your hands, cried out: * Come to me and * be enlightened, mortal men * bedarkened by delusion; * for I am Light. O glory * to You the only Bestower of light.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Κατακαμπτομένην δυσφορωτάτω, βάρει τὴν ψυχήν μου, τῷ τῶν πταισμάτων, καὶ κατασυγκύπτουσαν, ἀνόρθωσον Παρθένε· σὺ γὰρ τὸν τοὺς κατερραγμένους, ἀνορθοῦντα Σωτῆρα, ἔχεις πειθόμενον εὐκόλως, μητρικῆ παρρησία, καὶ διάρρηξον σῆ μεσιτεία, τῆς ἁμαρτίας τὸ χειρόγραφον δέομαι, διὰ τὸ μέγα σου ἔλεος.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Τὸν κατεγνωσμένον ταῖς ἁμαρτίαις, καὶ ἐσπιλωμένον ταῖς ἀνομίαις, τὸν καταφρονήσαντα, Θεοῦ τῶν προσταγμάτων, ἴδε καὶ μή με ἀποὀρἡψης, ἀπὸ τοῦ σοῦ προσώπου· σὺ γὰρ ὑπάρχεις Θεοτόκε, ἐλπίς μου καὶ προστάτις· διὸ πρόσχες μου ταῖς ἱκεσίαις, ἀπὸ πάσης με κηλῖδος καθάρισον, διὰ τὸ μέγα σου ἔλεος.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Ἄνοιξόν μοι θύραν τῆς μετανοίας, δός μοι Παναγία πηγὴν δακρύων, παράσχου κατάνυξιν, καὶ σώφρονα καρδίαν· σὲ γὰρ βεβαίαν προστασίαν, ἐπιγράφομαι μόνην, πᾶσαν ἐπὶ σὲ προσδοκίαν, τὴν ἐμὴν ἀναφέρω, μὴ ἀπώση με κατησχυμμένον, ἀλλὰ προσδέχου, καὶ διάσωσον Δέσποινα, διὰ τὸ μέγα σου ἕλεος.

³Ηχος πλ. β΄. Σάββατον Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Ύῦσαί με γεέννης ἀποκειμενης, ἐξελοῦ πυρός με τοῦ αἰωνίου, Κριτὰ δικαιότατε,

Sticheron 4.

Sticheron 5.

Lo, I am condemned by my sins, O Lady, * and by my iniquities am defiled; * and I have displayed contempt for God's divine commandments. * Cast me not away from your presence, * O pure one, I beseech you. * You are my hope and my protectress, * allholy Theotokos. * Hence I beg of you to be attentive * to my entreaties and to cleanse me from all stain of sin, * in your great mercy, O Mother of God.

Sticheron 6.

Mode pl. 2. Saturday Sticheron 1.

Save me from perdition which has been laid up. * O most righteous Judge, rescue

τὸν κατακεκριμένον, δεῖξον ἐκ ζάλης ἐναντίας, ἀνάλωτόν με Λόγε, τρέμω ὁ τάλας ἐννοῶν μου, τὸ τῶν πταισμάτων πλῆθος, καὶ προσπίπτω σοι μετὰ δακρύων, καὶ συντριβῆς τῆς καρδίας μου Φιλάνθρωπε, τὸ σὸν αἰτούμενος ἔλεος.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Τίς ἐμὲ μὴ κλαύσῃ τὸν παραβάντα, ἐντολὴν Δεσπότου δι' ἀκρασίαν, τὸν Ἅδην οἰκήσαντα, ἀντὶ τοῦ Παραδείσου, βρῶσις γλυκεῖά μοι φανεῖσα εἰς χολὴν μετετράπη, ξένος τῆς δόξης σου Οἰκτίρμον, καὶ Ἁγγέλων ἐδείχθην, ἀλλὰ δέξαι με μετανοοῦντα ὡς ἐλεήμων καὶ φιλάνθρωπος Κύριος διὰ τὸ μέγα σου ἔλεος.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Πάντας τοὺς ἐν πίστει κεκοιμημένους τάξον ζωοδότα ἐν χώρᾳ ζώντων, ἐν τόποις ἀνέσεως, ἐν σκηναῖς αἰωνίοις, ἔνθα τὸ φῶς τοῦ σοῦ προσώπου, ἀφθόνως καταλάμπει, ὅπου τρυφὴ καὶ χαρμοσύνη, καὶ εἰρήνη τῶν Δικαίων, παριδὼν αὐτῶν τὰ ἐπταισμένα, ἔργῳ καὶ λόγῳ διανοίᾳ τε Δέσποτα, διὰ πολλὴν ἀγαθότητα.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Οἱ μαρτυρήσαντες διὰ σὲ Χριστέ, πολλὰς βασάνους ὑπέμειναν, καὶ τέλειον ἀπέλαβον, τὸν στέφανον ἐν οὐρανοῖς, ἵνα πρεσβεύωσιν ὑπὲρ τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν.

me the convict * from the everlasting fire; O
Master, I beseech You. * Make me impervious
to surgings * against me, O Word of God. *
Mis'rable that I am, I shudder * when I stop
and consider * the multitude of my offenses, *
and I fall down to You with tears and a contrite
heart * humbly requesting Your mercy, O
Lord.

Sticheron 2.

Who would not lament me who from my lack of * self-control have broken the Lord's commandment; * for me who instead of Paradise inhabit Hades? * Food sweet to me in its appearance * has turned into bitterness. * Unto Your glory and to Angels * have I become a stranger. * Sympathetic God, as I repent now * accept me, since You are humane and very merciful, * because of Your great mercy, O Lord.

Sticheron 3.

Sticheron 4.

They who witnessed for You, O Christ, endured many tortures, and in heaven finally received the crown of glory, that they might intercede on behalf of our souls.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Οἱ ἀθλοφόροι Μάρτυρες, καὶ οὐρανοπολῖται, ἐπὶ γῆς ἀθλήσαντες, πολλὰς βασάνους ὑπέμειναν, πρεσβείαις Κύριε, καὶ εὐχαῖς αὐτῶν, πάντας ἡμᾶς διαφύλαξον.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Ό Σταυρός σου Κύριε, τοῖς Μάρτυσι γέγονεν, ὅπλον ἀήττητον· ἔβλεπον γὰρ τὸν προκείμενον θάνατον, καὶ προβλέποντες τὴν μέλλουσαν ζωήν, τῇ ἐλπίδι τῇ εἰς σὲ ἐνεδυναμοῦντο. Αὐτῶν ταῖς παρακλήσεσιν, ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς.

Ήχος βαρύς. Δευτέρα Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Ἄρόν σου ὧ ψυχή μου τὸ ὄμμα, καὶ Θεοῦ ἐνατένισον, τῇ οἰκονομία, καὶ τῇ εὐσπλαγχνία, πῶς οὐρανοὺς κλίνας, ἦλθεν ἐπὶ γῆς, ἵνα ὑψώσῃ σε ἐκ τῆς ταλαιπωρίας σου, τῶν παθῶν, καὶ στήσῃ σε, ἐν πέτρα τῆς πίστεως, βαβαὶ φρικτοῦ θαύματος! Δόξα τῇ κενώσει σου Φιλάνθρωπε.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Βλέψον σου τὰ παράνομα ἔργα, ὧ ψυχή μου, καὶ θαύμασον, πῶς σε γῆ βαστάζει, καὶ σκηπτὸς οὐ φλέγει; πῶς ἄγριοι θῆρες οὐκ ἐσθίουσί σε; πῶς δὲ καὶ ὁ Ἡλιος ὁ ἄδυτος, ἐλλάμπων σοι, ἀεὶ οὐκ ἐπαύσατο; ἀνάστα, μετανόησον, βόησον πρὸς Κύριον. Ἡμαρτόν σοι ἥμαρτον, ἐλέησόν με.

Sticheron 5.

The prize-winning Martyrs and citizens of heaven contended on earth and endured many tortures. By their intercessions and prayers, O Lord, preserve us all.

Sticheron 6.

Your Cross, O Lord, became for the Martyrs an invincible weapon. For they saw the death awaiting them and yet foresaw the life to come, and thus by their hope in You they were strengthened. By their supplications, have mercy on us.

Grave Mode. Monday Sticheron 1.

Lift up your eyes, my soul, and intently * gaze upon God's economy * and His loving kindness; how bowing the heavens * He came down to earth, thereby to elevate you * from the wretched state of your enslavement to the passions, * and to set you firmly on the rock of belief in Him. * Indeed, an awesome wonder! * Glory to Your self-emptying, O Lover of man.

Sticheron 2.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Έχοντες ἐπὶ σοὶ τὰς ἐλπίδας, παντοδύναμε Κύριε, σὲ ἐκδυσωποῦμεν, παντοίων κινδύνων, παθῶν τε τῆς ζάλης ἡμᾶς ἐκλυτροῦσθαι, ὅπως τὴν ζωὴν ἡμῶν εἰρηνικῶς διάγωμεν, καὶ ἐν καθαρότητι, βιώσαντες, εὕρωμεν, ἐν ἡμέρα κρίσεως, εὐμενῆ σε Δεσπότην καὶ ἵλεων.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Φλόγα πυρὸς τοὺς Άγγέλους, Χριστὲ ἀπειργάσω, τούτων ἡμῖν τὸ θερμὸν ὑπεμφαίνων, καὶ πνεῦμα πάλιν τὸ ταχὺ διαγράφων. Παντοδύναμε Κύριε, δόξα σοι.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Σῶσον ἡμᾶς προστασίαις, Κύριε τῶν Άγγέλων, πλῦνον ἡμῶν τῶν πταισμάτων τὸν ἡύπον, τῆς ἀμαρτίας τὰς οὐλὰς ἐξαλείφων, ἵνα κράζωμεν, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Τὰ Σεραφείμ, Χερουβείμ, Ἄγγελοι καὶ Δυνάμεις, θρόνοι, Ἀρχαί, Κυριότητες πᾶσαι, σὺν Ἀρχαγγέλοις καὶ λαμπραῖς Ἐξουσίαις, σοὶ κραυγάζουσι, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

Ήχος βαρύς. Τρίτη Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Δέσποτα καὶ Θεὲ πανοικτίρμον, οἶς ἐπίστασαι κρίμασι, δός μοι ἐν καρδία, τὸν σὸν φόβον ἔχειν, δός μοι τὸ φιλεῖν σε, ἐξ ὅλης ψυχῆς μου, δός μοι τὸ μυσάττεσθαι, τὰς πράξεις τοῦ ἀλάστορος, καὶ ποιεῖν τὸ θέλημα,

Sticheron 3.

O omnipotent Lord, inasmuch as * we have set every hope on You, * fervently we supplicate You to redeem us * from all kinds of perils and passions and turmoil, * so that we may live out the remainder of our life in peace, * and, when having lived a life of purity, we might find * You, our Master, merciful * and lenient on the day of reckoning.

Sticheron 4.

You have created the Angels * flames of fire, O Christ, * thus indicating to us their great fervor; * again, to mark their swiftness, You made them spirits. * O omnipotent Lord, Glory to You.

Sticheron 5.

Sticheron 6.

Grave Mode. Tuesday Sticheron 1.

Merciful Lord and God of compassion, *
for the purposes known to You, * grant me to
possess in my heart the fear of You; * grant
me that with all of my soul I may love You; *
grant me to abominate the actions of the evil
one; * and I pray you, grant me to execute

τὸ σὸν τὸ σωτήριον· σὺ γὰρ εἶ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, ὁ εἰπών· Αἰτεῖτε καὶ λαμβάνετε.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Γέγονα τῶν δαιμόνων μὲν γέλως, τῶν ἀνθρώπων δὲ ὄνειδος, τῶν Δικαίων θρῆνος, τῶν Ἁγγέλων πένθος, μολυσμὸς ἀέρος, καὶ γῆς καὶ ὑδάτων· σῶμα γὰρ ἐμίανα, ψυχήν καὶ νοῦν ἐσπίλωσα, παραλόγοις πράξεσι, Θεῷ ἐχθρὸς πέφυκα, οἴμοι! Κύριε, ἤμαρτόν σοι, ἤμαρτον συγχώρησον.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Δέομαι ἐπ' ἐμοὶ τῷ ἀκάρπῳ, μακροθύμησον Δέσποτα, καὶ μή με ἐκκόψῃς, ὡς ἄκαρπον δένδρον, τομῆ τοῦ θανάτου, εἰς πῦρ ἀποπέμπων, ἀλλὰ καρποφόρον με, ποιῆσαι παρακλήθητι, καιρὸν μετανοίας μοι, διδοὺς ὡς φιλάνθρωπος, ὅπως ἀπονίψω μου, τὰς πολλὰς Σωτήρ μου ἁμαρτίας Χριστέ.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Νυμφοστολήσας τοῖς λόγοις, ἱερῶς τὴν Ἐκκλησίαν Χριστοῦ, προσηγάγου Σοφὲ ὡς νύμφην, πανάμωμον, καὶ ὑπήκοον ταύτην, τῷ Δεσπότῃ παρέστησας, ἀλλ' ὡς ἔχων νῦν δυναστείαν, αὐτῆς ὑπεράσπισον, καὶ ὑπέρμαχος φάνηθι, ἀπὸ πάσης κακίας, τοῦ διαβόλου Παμμάκαρ λυτρούμενος.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Φῶς νοερὸν ἐπιλάμψας, τῇ ταπεινῇ ψυχῇ μου Πρόδρομε, ἐναποδίωξον αὐτῆς, ὁμίχλην τὴν ἄπασαν, ἡδονῶν ψυχοφθόρων, καὶ παθῶν τῶν τοῦ σώματος, καὶ ὡς ἔχων νῦν δυναστείαν,

Your saving will. * For You are our God, indeed, * who commanded: Ask and then you shall receive.

Sticheron 2.

I am the laughingstock of the demons, *
the disgrace of my fellow men, * lament of the
Righteous, the grief of the Angels, * pollution
of the air, the earth and the waters, * for I have
defiled my body, and now I have stained my
soul. * Through demented acts, I have come to
be a foe of God. * Woe to me. O Lord, I have
sinned * against You. O pardon me, for I have
sinned.

Sticheron 3.

Sticheron 4.

Sticheron 5.

κάμοῦ ὑπεράσπισον, καὶ προστάτης μοι φάνηθι, ἀπὸ πάσης ἀνάγκης, καὶ περιστάσεως δεινῆς λυτρούμενος.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

³Ω Προφητῶν ἡ ἀκρότης, καὶ σφραγὶς τοῦ νόμου τοῦ τυπικοῦ, ὧ τῶν ἁπάντων γηγενῶν, μείζων ἁγιότης, ὧ Χριστοῦ παρουσίας, θεῖος Κήρυξ καὶ Πρόδρομος, ὧ Διδάσκαλε μετανοίας, ὧ ἁγνείας ἄγαλμα, τοὺς σοὺς δούλους περίσῳζε, ἀπὸ πάσης ἀνάγκης, καὶ περιστάσεως, ἡμᾶς λυτρούμενος.

^{*}Ηχος βαρύς. Τετάρτη Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Έν ξύλφ σε προσήλωσαν Ίουδαῖοι, ἵνα ξύλφ τὸν θάνατον ἀναστείλης, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Έκὼν ἐδέξω ῥάπισμα Ἐλεῆμον, ἵνα ῥύση τὸν ἄνθρωπον ἐκ δουλείας, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Ξύλῳ Σταυροῦ ἰάσω πικρίαν ξύλου, καὶ Παράδεισον ἤνοιξας τοῖς ἀνθρώποις, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Προσάξωμεν τό, Χαῖρε τῆ Θεοτόκῳ, ὡς ὁ Ἄγγελος, καὶ βοήσωμεν· Εὐλογημένη, Πάναγνε δόξα σοι.

Sticheron 6.

O culmination of Prophets * and the seal of the symbolic law, * you who are greater in holiness than all men born on earth, * O Forerunner and divine herald of the coming of Christ: * as the teacher of repentance and the model of chastity, * out of every necessity deliver us your servants, * redeeming us from perplexing predicaments.

Grave Mode. Wednesday Sticheron 1.

O Savior, You were nailed to a tree by villains. * You were able thus by a tree to stay death. * Glory to You, O Lord.

Sticheron 2.

You willingly endured being struck, O Master, * that You might deliver mankind from bondage. * Glory to You, O Lord.

Sticheron 3.

Sticheron 4.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Άνύμφευτε Παρθένε Μήτηρ Κυρίου, οἰκέτας σου ἐλευθέρωσον ἐκ τῶν βελῶν, ἀπάντων τοῦ ὄφεως.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Κατέπαυσας τὴν λύπην Άγνὴ τῆς Εὔας, ὡς κυήσασα τὴν χαρὰν τοῦ κόσμου. Χαῖρε Ἀνύμφευτε.

⁷Ηχος βαρύς. Πέμπτη Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Ό φθόγγος τῶν ἁγίων Ἀποστόλων, εἰς τὰ πέρατα διεξῆλθε τῆς οἰκουμένης, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Εὐωδία ὀφθέντες Θεοῦ τοῦ Λόγου, πανσεβάσμιοι μυρίσατέ με, ὀσμῆ τοῦ Πνεύματος.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Οὐράνιον πολίτευμα κεκτημένοι, τὰ οὐράνια φρονεῖν με διδάξατε, καὶ λαλεῖν τὰ θεῖα Θεοῦ θελήματα.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

"Ωσπερ ἐρῥύσω Πάτερ τοὺς στρατηλάτας, θνήσκειν μέλλοντας, δι' ἐντεύξεως καὶ νῦν ὡσαύτως ἡμᾶς διάσωσον.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Τοὺς πίστει σε καὶ πόθῳ προσκαλουμένους, καὶ τιμῶντάς σε πανσεβάσμιε Ἱεράρχα, ῥῦσαι τῶν θλίψεων.

Sticheron 5.

Sticheron 6.

O pure one, you extinguished the sorrow of Eve, * for unto the joy of the world you gave birth. * Rejoice, O unwedded Bride.

Grave Mode. Thursday Sticheron 1.

The sound of Your divine and holy Apostles * unto all the ends of the earth has gone forth. * Glory to You, O Lord.

Sticheron 2.

Sticheron 3.

Since you have gained the citizenship in heaven, * teach me to set my mind on the things of heaven, * and to utter the divine wills of God.

Sticheron 4.

Sticheron 5.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Λοιμοῦ, σεισμοῦ, καὶ θλίψεων, καὶ ἀνάγκης, ἐλευθέρωσον τοὺς ἱκέτας σου, Ἱεράρχα, σοφὲ Νικόλαε.

³Ηχος βαρύς. Παρασκευὴ Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Ίνα Θεὸν τὸν ἄνθρωπον ἀπεργάση, βροτὸς γέγονας Ὑπεράγαθε, καὶ σταυροῦσαι, δόξα τῆ δόξη σου.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Ότε Σταυρῷ σε δῆμος Ἑβραίων, Λόγε, κατεδίκασε, γῆ ἐσείετο, καὶ ἡλίου σέλας ἐκρύπτετο.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Ό ἥλιος ἐσκότασεν Ἐλεῆμον, σταυρουμένου σου, καὶ ἡ κτίσις συνεκλονεῖτο, κράζουσα· Δόξα σοι.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Κλῖνόν μοι τὸ φιλάγαθον οὖς σου, δεομένῳ Πανάμωμε, καὶ μὴ ἀπορῥίψης τοῦ σοῦ με προσώπου, μηδὲ πόρἡω πέμψης τῆς σῆς βοηθείας· δόλῳ γὰρ ὁ δόλιος, σπουδάζει ἀπολέσαι με, παραλόγοις πάθεσι, κινεῖ τὴν καρδίαν μου, σὸ δέ με συντήρησον, ὅλον τῆς αὐτοῦ βλάβης ἀμέτοχον.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Όφελος οὐδαμῶς ἐκ τῆς ὕλης, ὧ ψυχή μου γενήσεται, περὶ ἣν σπουδάζεις εἰς μάτην τοῦ βίου, περὶ ἣν ἐκτήκεις σαυτὴν ταῖς φροντίσι, πᾶσαν οὖν τὴν μέριμναν, ἐπίρριψον πρὸς Κύριον, τὸν κρῖναί σε μέλλοντα, καὶ δάκρυσι

Sticheron 6.

O Nicholas the wise Hierarch, deliver * your supplicants from plagues and from tribulations, * earthquakes and necessity.

Grave Mode. Friday Sticheron 1.

In order to make man God, O gracious Master, * You became a mortal and were crucified. * Glory to Your glory, O Lord.

Sticheron 2.

Sticheron 3.

When You were on the Cross, then the sun was darkened, * and creation trembled and shouted: Glory * unto You, O merciful Lord.

Sticheron 4.

Lend me your kindly ear as I pray now * unto you, O all-blameless one, * and do not reject me from before your presence, * neither send me far away from your assistance. * For, behold, the wily one with guile contrives to ruin me, * and with the unreasonable passions he stirs my heart. * Hence, I pray you, keep me safe * and wholly untouched by his malevolence.

Sticheron 5.

βόησον· Δέσποτα φιλάνθρωπε, σῶσόν με πρεσβείαις τῆς Τεκούσης σε.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

"Όνομα εὐλαβείας Παρθένε, ἐμαυτῷ ἔξω θέμενος, παίγνιον πορνείας, ἐντὸς χρηματίζω, καὶ ἀλαζονείας, γέλως καθορῶμαι· θηρίοις γὰρ δυσίν, ὡς ἀντιμάχοις, παραδέχομαι ἐξ ἀπροσεξίας· διὰ τοῦτο ῥῦσαί με· σὺ γὰρ ἀγαλλίαμα, πέφυκας ψυχῆς μου καὶ πεποίθησις.

³Ηχος βαρύς. Σάββατον Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Άγιοι Μάρτυρες, οἱ καλῶς ἀθλήσαντες, καὶ στεφανωθέντες, πρεσβεύσατε πρὸς Κύριον, ἐλεηθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Καταφρονήσαντες πάντων τῶν ἐπὶ γῆς, ἄγιοι Μάρτυρες, καὶ ἐν σταδίῳ τὸν Χριστὸν ἀνδρείως κηρύξαντες, ἀμοιβὰς τῶν βασάνων παρ' αὐτοῦ ἐκομίσασθε, ἀλλ' ὡς ἔχοντες παρρησίαν, αὐτὸν ἱκετεύσατε, ὡς Θεὸν παντοδύναμον, τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν σῶσαι, τῶν εἰς ὑμᾶς προστρεχόντων δεόμεθα.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Πανεύφημοι Μάρτυρες, θρέμματα πνευματικά, όλοκαυτώματα λογικά, θυσία δεκτή, εὐάρεστος τῷ Θεῷ, ὑμᾶς οὐχ ἡ γῆ κατέκρυψεν, ἀλλ' οὐρανὸς ὑπεδέξατο, Άγγέλων συμμέτοχοι γεγόνατε, μεθ' ὧν ἱκετεύσατε δεόμεθα, τῷ Σωτῆρι καὶ Θεῷ

Sticheron 6.

Grave Mode. Saturday Sticheron 1.

O holy Martyr Saints, who competed well and received the crowns of laurel, intercede with the Lord for us, that His mercy come upon our souls.

Sticheron 2.

When you had wisely despised everything on earth, * O holy martyr Saints, * and had courageously acknowledged Christ in the stadium, * in return for the tortures you received your rewards from Him. * Now that you have acquired access to God the omnipotent, * we beseech you most fervently * to entreat Him in earnest * to save the souls of us sinners who flee to you.

Sticheron 3.

O world-famous Martyrs, the spiritual livestock, rational whole burnt offerings, and sacrifice acceptable and pleasing to God: the earth did not conceal you, but heaven received you, and thus you share the fellowship of the Angels. We beseech you, pray with them unto

ἡμῶν, εἰρηνεῦσαι τὸν κόσμον, καὶ σῶσαι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Σῶτερ μὴ καταισχύνης με, ὅταν ἔλθης κρῖναι κόσμον ἄπαντα, τὸν αἰσχύνης ἔργα ποιήσαντα.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Άμέτρητά σοι πταίσας, άμετρήτους κολάσεις ἐκδέχομαι, ὁ Θεός μου οἴκτειρον καὶ σῶσόν με.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Άνάπαυσον τοὺς πίστει κεκοιμημένους, ἐν αὐλαῖς σου Δέσποτα, καὶ Βασιλείας σου ἀξίωσον.

> Ήχος πλ. δ΄. Δευτέρα Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

"Ω πῶς διάγω ἀμέριμνος, τὸν τῆς ζωῆς μου καιρόν, μετεώρως παρέρχομαι, μὴ εἰς νοῦν βαλλόμενος, τὰς πολλὰς ἁμαρτίας μου, μὴ τοῦ θανάτου, τὴν φοβερὰν ἀπειλήν, καὶ τῆς ἐτάσεως, τὸ ἀδέκαστον! ὢ τίς με ῥύσεται, πυρὸς αἰωνίζοντος, εἰμὴ Θεέ, μόνε ὑπεράγαθε, σὺ οἰκτειρήσῃς με;

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Οἴμοι ψυχή μου ταλαίπωρε, πόσα θρηνήσεις ἐκεῖ, ἐνθυμοῦσα τὰς πράξεις σου, ὅταν εἰς αἰώνιον, βασιλείαν οἱ δίκαιοι, καλῶνται σὺ δέ, εἰς πῦρ αἰώνιον, κατακριθήσῃ, διὰ τὰς πράξεις σου! Στέναξον δάκρυσον,

our Savior and God, that He bring peace into the world, and that He save our souls.

Sticheron 4.

When You return, O Savior, to judge the whole world, * though I have committed most shameful actions, * put me not to shame, I pray.

Sticheron 5.

Sticheron 6.

Mode pl. 4. Monday Sticheron 1.

Sticheron 2.

Woe to you, O wretched soul of mine! *
How greatly you will lament * at the judgment,
when you recall * all your deeds, when
righteous men * will be bidden to enter God's
* eternal Kingdom, while to eternal fire * you
will be sentenced because of your misdeeds! *

ἀπεντεῦθεν πρόσδραμε, τῷ λυτρωτῆ, Χριστῷ καὶ ἀπόνιψαι, τὰς ἁμαρτίας σου.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Έως καιρός σοι ἐνέστηκεν, ὁ τῆς παρούσης ζωῆς, ὧ ψυχὴ μετανόησον, καὶ ἐνταῦθα πόνησον, διὰ τὰς ἁμαρτίας σου, ἵνα ἐκεῖσε, εὕρῃς ἀνάπαυσιν, καὶ αἰωνίου, ἡυσθῆς κολάσεως, Κύριε Κύριε, ἀγαθὲ καὶ εὔσπλαγχνε, τῶν ἐκλεκτῶν, μοίρας με ἀξίωσον, γενέσθαι μέτοχον.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Κύριε, σὲ τῶν Ἀσωμάτων οἱ δῆμοι, ἀκαταπαύστως δοξάζουσι, τῷ σῷ ἐνηδόμενοι κάλλει, καὶ τῇ ἀφράστῳ ὡραιότητι, καὶ τρισηλίῳ αὐγῇ, πλουσίως αὐγαζόμενοι, ὧν ταῖς πρεσβείαις καὶ προστασίαις, σῶσον Σωτὴρ τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Κύριε, τὰς παναρμονίους χορείας, σὺ τῶν ἀγγέλων ὑπέστησας, τῷ παντοδυνάμῳ σου Λόγῳ, καὶ τῷ ἀγίῳ σου Πνεύματι, ἀμεταπτώτοις αὐγαῖς, τὰς ἐλλάμψεις χαριζόμενος, ὧν ταῖς πρεσβείαις καὶ προστασίαις, σῶσον Σωτὴρ τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Κύριε, σὲ τὰ Σεραφεὶμ ἀνυμνοῦσι, καὶ Έξουσίαι καὶ Ἅγγελοι, Ἅρχαὶ Κυριότητες θρόνοι, καὶ Δυνάμεις καὶ ఉρχάγγελοι, καὶ Χερουβεὶμ τὰ φρικτά, τὸν αἶνόν σοι προσάγουσιν, ὧν ταῖς πρεσβείαις καὶ προστασίαις, σῶσον Σωτὴρ τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Sigh, weep, and run to Christ * the Redeemer, being on this side of death. * Wash away the multitude * of your iniquities.

Sticheron 3.

While the time is yet available * to you in this present life, * O my soul, fervently repent, * and as long as you are here, * come and grieve for your sins with pain, * that you might find repose on the other side, * and be redeemed from eternal punishment. * Lord, Lord compassionate, * being good, account me worthy to become * a partaker in the lot * of the elect, I pray.

Sticheron 4.

Sticheron 5.

Sticheron 6.

Lord our God, all the Seraphim and
Dominions, * as well as Thrones and
Authorities, * and the Principalities extol
You * with the Powers and Archangels too;
* Angels and awesome Cherubim * present
to You their hymns of praise. * And through

³Ηχος πλ. δ΄. Τρίτη Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Τίνι ψυχὴ ἐξωμοίωσαι, ἐν ῥαθυμία πολλῆ, τὴν ζωήν σου ἐξάγουσα, ὕπνω βαθυτάτω τε, χαλεπῆς καταπτώσεως, βαρυνομένη; Δράμε καὶ πρόφθασον, καὶ τῷ τὰ πάντα, εἰδότι πρόσπεσον, κλαῦσον καὶ αἴτησαι, καιρὸν μετανοίας σοι, πρὶν τοῦ πυρός, τοῦ ἀσβέστου τάλαινα, γένῃ ὑπέκκαυμα.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Οἶδας Χριστὲ τὴν ἀσθένειαν, τῆς ἀνθρωπίνης σαρκός, καὶ τὸ χαῦνον τῆς φύσεως, ἐπίστασαι Δέσποτα, ὡς ποιητὴς καὶ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, τὸν σάλον κόπασον τῆς καρδίας μου, διδοὺς γαλήνην τῆ ταπεινῆ μου ψυχῆ, δίδου διόρθωσιν, τῶν ἀτόπων ἔργων μου, καὶ τοῦ πυρός, τοῦ ἀσβέστου ῥῦσαί με, ὡς μόνος εὕσπλαγχνος.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Όλον τὸν βίον ἠνάλωσα, καὶ τὴν ζωήν μου αἰσχρῶς, καὶ ἀσώτως Φιλάνθρωπε, μὴ προσχὼν τὸ σύνολον, ταῖς ἐκεῖθεν κολάσεσιν, ἀλλὰ Θεέ μου, νῦν ἐπιστρέφοντα, δέξαι Σωτήρ μου, ὥσπερ τὸν Ἄσωτον, ταῖς τοῦ Προδρόμου σου, καὶ πάντων Ἁγίων σου, σεπταὶς λιταῖς, καὶ τῆς κυησάσης σε, Χριστὲ καὶ σῶσόν με.

their guardianship, O Savior, * and their intercessions, save our souls.

Mode pl. 4. Tuesday Sticheron 1.

Whom do you resemble, O my soul, *
as you are passing the days * of your life in
great indolence, * heavy with the deepest sleep
* of intractable lethargy? * Wretch that you
are, now run and anticipate, * and fall down
prostrate to Him who knows all things. * Cry
out, and supplicate * that He give you time in
order to repent * before you become the fuel *
for the unquenchable fire.

Sticheron 2.

You know the weakness of human flesh,
* as our Creator and Lord; * as our Maker,
You thoroughly * understand the sluggishness
* of our nature, O Christ our God. * Abate, I
pray You, the surging in my heart, * bestowing
calmness upon my humble soul. * Grant me
correction of * my unseemly deeds, and from
eternal fire * rescue me, for only You * are
most compassionate.

Sticheron 3.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Τῆς στειρευούσης τὸ βλάστημα, τὸ τῆς ἁγνείας φυτόν, τῶν βροτῶν ἐγκαλλώπισμα, τοῦ Δεσπότου Πρόδρομε, Ἰωάννη πανεύφημε, φύλαξ ὁ θεῖος, τῆς ταπεινῆς μου ψυχῆς, τὴν σὴν πρεσβείαν καὶ τὴν βοήθειαν, δίδου λυτρούμενος, μηχανῶν τοῦ ὄφεως, καὶ πονηρᾶς, τούτου με κακώσεως, καὶ ἐπιθέσεως.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Ίνα δοξάζω καὶ σέβωμαι, ἵνα τιμῶ καὶ ὑμνῶ, καὶ γεραίρω ἐκ πίστεως, σοῦ τὸ θεῖον ὄνομα, τὸ φαιδρὸν χαριτώνυμε, μὴ ἀφιστάνου, ποτὲ τοῦ δούλου σου, μηδὲ χωρίζου μου, θεῖε Πρόδρομε, ἀλλὰ ταῖς πτέρυξι, τῆς σεπτῆς πρεσβείας σου, διὰ παντός, σκέπε με καὶ φύλαττε ἀπὸ παντοίων κακῶν.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Όλος ὑπάρχεις ἡδύτητος, καὶ γλυκασμοῦ θεϊκοῦ, πεπλησμένος ἀοίδιμε, καὶ εὐφραίνεις ἄπαντας, τοὺς πιστῶς προσιόντας σοι, καταγλυκαίνων τὰ αἰσθητήρια, τὰ τῆς ψυχῆς τε καὶ τὰ τοῦ σώματος, νόσων καὶ θλίψεων, συμφορῶν κακώσεων, καὶ ὀδυνῶν, ψυχοφθόρων πάντοτε, ἡμᾶς λυτρούμενος.

³Ηχος πλ. δ΄. Τετάρτη Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Λόγε Θεοῦ ὑπεράγαθε, ὁ δι' ἡμᾶς ἐν Σταυρῷ, κρεμασθεὶς ὡς κατάκριτος, τοῦ πυρὸς τοῦ μέλλοντος, καὶ φρικτῆς ἀποφάσεως, καὶ ποινῆς πάσης ἡμᾶς ἐξάρπασον, ἐκδυσωπούσης τῆς Θεομήτορος· σὲ γὰρ φιλάνθρωπε, καθ'

Sticheron 4.

Sticheron 5.

Never abandon your votary; * never reject me, I pray, * so that I may extol and praise, * venerate and glorify, * and devotedly celebrate * your bright, divine name, synonymous with grace, * O holy Prophet, Forerunner, Baptist John. * Under the wings of your * venerable intercessions evermore * shelter me, and guard me from * evils of every kind.

Sticheron 6.

Mode pl. 4. Wednesday Sticheron 1.

O most benevolent Word of God * who were suspended for us * on the Cross as a criminal, * snatch us from the future fire, * and the frightening sentence we pray; * also exempt us from every penalty, * having the Mother of God imploring You. * For, Lover of

έκάστην ἄπαντες, έν λογισμοῖς, Χριστέ παροργίζομεν, τὸν ὑπεράγαθον.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

"Ηλιος ἰδών σε ἔφριξεν, ἐπὶ Σταυροῦ Ἰησοῦ, ἡπλωμένον θελήματι, καὶ ἡ γῆ ἐσείετο, καὶ αὶ πέτραι ἐρἡήγνυντο, καὶ τὰ μνημεῖα φόβῳ ἠνοίγοντο, καὶ αὶ Δυνάμεις πᾶσαι ἐξίσταντο· σὲ ὡς ἑώρακεν, ἡ Παρθένος Δέσποτα, ἐν τῷ Σταυρῷ, Οἴμοι! ἀνεκραύγαζε, τί τὸ ὁρώμενον;

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

"Ω τῆς ἀπείρου χρηστότητος, τοῦ σαρκωθέντος ἐκ σοῦ, Θεοτόκε πανύμνητε! Σταυρὸν γὰρ καὶ θάνατον, ἑκουσίως ὑπέμεινεν, ἵνα τὸν κόσμον, σώσῃ ὃν ἔπλασεν, ὃν ἐκδυσώπει, κἀμὲ τὸν ἄθλιον, καὶ πολυώδυνον, ῥύσασθαι κολάσεως, ἔνθα τὸ φῶς, λάμπει τὸ ἀνέσπερον, κατασκηνῶσαί με.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Χαῖρε Παρθένε Θεόνυμφε· χαῖρε πιστῶν ἡ ἐλπίς· χαῖρε κόσμου καθάρσιον· χαῖρε πάσης θλίψεως, ἡ τοὺς δούλους σου σώζουσα· ἡ τοῦ θανάτου, χαῖρε κατάλυσις· ὁ ζωηφόρος χαῖρε Παράδεισος· χαῖρε ἀντίληψις, τῶν προσκαλουμένων σε· χαῖρε Θεοῦ, θεῖον ἐνδιαίτημα, καὶ ὅρος ἄγιον.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Χαῖρε Θεοτόκε Πάναγνε, χαῖρε πηγὴ τῆς ζωῆς, χαῖρε κλῖμαξ οὐράνιε, χαῖρε

mankind, * every one of us, on any given day, * angers You with sinful thoughts, * O most benevolent Christ.

Sticheron 2.

Seeing You, the sun was horrified, * as it beheld You, O Lord, * to be stretched out upon the Cross * voluntarily. And earth * shook and also the stones split apart. * The tombs in turn also opened out of fear. * And all the heavenly Powers stood in awe. * Then, as the Virgin watched * You, O Jesus, hanging there upon the Cross, * she cried out and said: Alas! * What is this sight I see?

Sticheron 3.

Sticheron 4.

Ever-virgin Bride of God, rejoice! * For all believers, the hope! * You deliver your servants from * all adversity. Rejoice! And the world is forgiven through you. * Rejoice! Through you was the realm of death destroyed. * You are the life-bearing Paradise. Rejoice! * You are the help of all * who invoke you when they pray and who salute * you, the dwelling place of God, and holy mountain. Rejoice!

Sticheron 5.

πάσης Δέσποινα, καὶ Κυρία τῆς Κτίσεως. Εὐλογημένη, χαῖρε Πανάμωμε, δεδοξασμένη, χαῖρε ἀμόλυντε, χαῖρε πανύμνητε, χαῖρε θεῖον σκήνωμα, χαῖρε σεμνή, χαῖρε Μητροπάρθενε, Νύμφη ἀνύμφευτε.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Χαῖρε Μητρόθεε Δέσποινα, χαῖρε ἡ μόνη ἐλπίς, τῶν βροτῶν καὶ ἀντίληψις, χαῖρε καταφύγιον, χαῖρε λυχνία φωτός, ἠγλαϊσμένον, χαῖρε παλάτιον, τὸ φωτοφόρον, χαῖρε λαμπάδιον, χαῖρε ἀμόλυντον, παρθενίας καύχημα, χαῖρε πηγή, βρύουσα, ἰάματα, τοῖς προσιοῦσί σοι.

Ήχος πλ. δ΄. Πέμπτη Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Κύριε, σὺ τοῦ Παρακλήτου τῆ αἴγλη, τοὺς Ἀποστόλους ἐφώτισας, καὶ φωστῆρας τέθεικας τούτους, τὴν οἰκουμένην καταυγάζοντας, τῷ νοητῷ φωτισμῷ, τῆς γνώσεώς σου Δέσποτα·διὰ τοῦτο προσκυνοῦμεν, τὴν πολλήν σου ἀγαθότητα.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Κύριε, σὺ τῶν Ἀποστόλων πρεσβείαις, περιτειχίζων τὴν ποίμνην σου, ταύτην ἐξ ἐχθρῶν ἐπηρείας, διασώζεις ἀστασίαστον, ἥν περ τιμίω Σωτήρ, ἀνησάμενός σου αἵματι, τῆς δουλείας τοῦ ἀλλοτρίου, ἠλευθέρωσας ὡς εὔσπλαγχνος.

Sticheron 6.

Lady and the Mother of our God, *
rejoice, O singular hope * and support of the
human race; * sanctuary, O rejoice; * sacred
lampstand of light, rejoice; * glittering palace
of God the King, rejoice; * rejoice, O lantern,
bearing the holy light; * rejoice, O undefiled
* glory of virginity; again rejoice, * fount that
gushes healings for * all those who come to
you.

Mode pl. 4. Thursday Sticheron 1.

Lord our God, You illuminated the Apostles * with the brightness of the Paraclete, * and set them as luminaries brightly * illuminating the entire world * with the intelligible light, * O Master, of the knowledge of You; * and for this reason do we worship * Your immeas'rable benevolence.

Sticheron 2.

Lord our God, by the Apostles' intercessions, * setting a wall round about Your flock, * You preserve it unagitated * by disturbances from enemies; * for with Your own precious blood, * O Savior, having ransomed it, * being compassionate, You freed it * from its bondage to the hostile foe.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

"Ωφθητε, έν τῷ διαδήματι Χριστοῦ, τῆς Ἐκκλησίας, ὡς τίμιοι, λίθοι διαυγεῖς λαμπηδόνας, τῆ οἰκουμένῃ ἀστράπτοντες, θεογνωσίας τὸ φῶς, Ἀπόστολοι μακάριοι, τῆς Τριάδος παραστάται, καὶ πρεσβευταὶ τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Κύριε, σὺ τοῦ Ἱεράρχου ταῖς θείαις, πανευπροσδέκτοις δεήσεσιν, ἐκ παντὸς κινδύνου καὶ πάσης, ἐλευθέρωσον κακώσεως, καὶ ἐπηρείας κακῶν, τοὺς δούλους σου Φιλάνθρωπε, τοὺς ἐν πίστει προσκυνοῦντας, σοῦ τὸ κράτος τὸ ἀνείκαστον.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Κύριε, σὺ τὸν Ἱεράρχην ἐν κόσμῳ, ὡς εὐωδίαν ἀνέδειξας· πάντων γὰρ πιστῶν τὰς καρδίας, εὐωδιάζει νῦν τοῖς θαύμασι, νόσους καὶ πάθη ψυχῶν, διώκων τῆ σῆ χάριτι, οὖ ταῖς πρεσβείαις, ὡς Οἰκτίρμων, τοὺς ὑμνοῦντάς σε περίσωζε.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Κύριε, σὺ τὸν σὸν σεπτὸν Ἱεράρχην, ἐν τοῖς πέρασιν ἐδόξασας, δοὺς αὐτῷ θαυμάτων τὴν χάριν, καὶ ὑπέρμαχον ἀνέδειξας, τῶν ἐν κινδύνοις δεινοῖς, καὶ θλίψεων κακώσεσι, περιπιπτόντων καὶ αἰτούντων, τούτου ἀεὶ τὴν ἀντίληψιν.

Ήχος πλ. δ΄. Παρασκευὴ Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Λαὸς ὁ ἀνομώτατος, μέσον κατέκρινεν ἀνόμων, Ἰησοῦ μου σταυρωθῆναί σε, τὸν

Sticheron 3.

Sticheron 4.

Lord our God, hearing the divine supplications * which are at all times acceptable * to You, of the Hierarch, deliver * us Your servants from adversities, * perils and hardships and all * calamities, O Lover of man; * for we faithfully worship * Your ineffable omnipotence.

Sticheron 5.

Sticheron 6.

Mode pl. 4. Friday Sticheron 1.

That lawless people sentenced You, Who were the Lord and the Creator * of all the

Κύριον καὶ κτίστην τοῦ παντὸς κόσμου, καὶ ὁρῶσα τὸ τόλμημα, ἡ γῆ ἐσείετο ἄπασα, πάντων ποιητήν σε, δεικνύουσα Δέσποτα.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Νόμου κατάρας ἄπαντες, λυτρούμεθα καὶ ἐγκλημάτων· ὁ γὰρ νόμου πέλων Κύριος, ἀνυψώθη ἐν τῷ Σταυρῷ τῷ τιμίῳ, εὐλογίαν πηγάζων ἀνελλιπῆ, καὶ χάριν καὶ ἔλεος, ἡμῖν τοῖς ὑμνοῦσιν αὐτοῦ, τὰ θεῖα παθήματα.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Ίάτρευσας φιλάνθρωπε, πληγὰς ἡμῶν, πληγεὶς τὰς χεῖρας, πρὸς ὁδοὺς δὲ βαίνειν Κύριε, σωτηρίους κατεύθυνας πάντας, πόδας σου ὀρυχθεὶς ἐπὶ Σταυροῦ, οὓς πάλαι ὁ πρωτόπλαστος, ἐν Παραδείσῳ, ἰδὼν κατεκρύπτετο.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Χαῖρε Θεοτόκε Δέσποινα, χαῖρε τὸ σκῆπτρον Δαυΐδ· χαῖρε πύλη οὐράνιε· χαῖρε βάτε ἄφλεκτε· χαῖρε ὄρος κατάσκιον· χαῖρε λυχνία· χαῖρε Πανάχραντε· χαῖρε ἡ στάμνος· χαῖρε παλάτιον· χαῖρε πανάμωμε, Μήτηρ τοῦ Θεοῦ ἡμῶν· χαῖρε λαβίς· χαῖρε θεία τράπεζα· χαῖρε τοῦ κόσμου ἐλπίς.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Άμαρτιῶν μου τὰ κύματα, ὡς ἐν πελάγει δεινῷ, ὑπεράνω ὑψούμενα, κεφαλῆς ποντίζειν με, κατεπείγουσι Δέσποινα, ἀλλ' ἔκτεινόν

world, to be crucified * in the midst of the outlaws, O my Jesus. * And the earth, when it saw the effrontery, * altogether shook with fear, * thus witnessing, O Master, * that You were the Maker of all.

Sticheron 2.

From the curse of the law and from our sins are we all now delivered, * for the Lord and giver of the Law * was lifted up upon the Cross we now honor. * He pours out a blessing that never abates, * and mercy and His grace, * unto us who laud Him, * extolling His sufferings.

Sticheron 3.

Sticheron 4.

Lady Theotokos, O rejoice; * scepter of David, rejoice; * O celestial gate, rejoice; * unconsumed bush, rejoice; * mountain shady and dense, rejoice; * rejoice, O lampstand; rejoice, O golden urn; * rejoice, O palace; rejoice, all-blameless one; * rejoice, immaculate * Mother of our God; rejoice, O tongs; rejoice, * holy table; and the hope * of all the world, rejoice!

Sticheron 5.

μοι, χεῖρα ὡς Πέτρῳ πρίν, βυθιζομένῳ, καὶ εἰς λιμένα με, σῷον, ὁδήγησον, μετανοίας δέομαι, Μήτηρ Θεοῦ, ἄχραντε πανύμνητε, ἐλπὶς τοῦ κόσμου παντός.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Έσκοτισμένος τοῖς πάθεσι, τῆς ἁμαρτίας δεινῶς, εἰς κρημνὸν ἀπογνώσεως, σπεύδω ὁ ταλαίπωρος, ἐμπεσεῖν, σύ με οἴκτειρον, εὐλογημένη θεοχαρίτωτε, λάμψον μοι φέγγος, τῆς εὐσπλαγχνίας σου, καὶ ἐφοδήγησον, εἰς ὁδοὺς εὐθείας με, παρακαλῶ, Πάναγνε καὶ δέομαι· Μὴ ὑπερίδης με.

³Ηχος πλ. δ΄. Σάββατον Στιχηρὸν Α΄.

Μάρτυρες Κυρίου, ίκετεύσατε τὸν Θεὸν ἡμῶν, καὶ αἰτήσασθε ταῖς ψυχαῖς ἡμῶν, πλῆθος οἰκτιρμῶν, καὶ τὸν ἱλασμόν, τῶν πολλῶν παραπτωμάτων δεόμεθα.

Στιχηρὸν Β΄.

Οἱ Μάρτυρές σου Κύριε, ἐπιλαθόμενοι τῶν ἐν τῷ βίῳ, καταφρονήσαντες καὶ τῶν βασάνων, διὰ τὴν μέλλουσαν ζωήν, ταύτης κληρονόμοι ἀνεδείχθησαν· ὅθεν καὶ Ἁγγέλοις συναγάλλονται. Αὐτῶν ταῖς ἱκεσίαις, δώρησαι τῷ λαῷ σου, τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Στιχηρὸν Γ΄.

Εἴ τις ἀρετή, καὶ εἴ τις ἔπαινος, πρέπει τοῖς Ἁγίοις· ξίφεσι γὰρ ἔκλιναν τοὺς αὐχένας, διὰ σὲ τὸν κλίναντα οὐρανοὺς καὶ καταβάντα, ἐξέχεαν τὸ αἷμα αὐτῶν, διὰ σὲ τὸν κενώσαντα ἑαυτόν, καὶ μορφὴν δούλου λαβόντα,

Sticheron 6.

Mode pl. 4. Saturday Sticheron 1.

Martyrs of the Lord, we pray you earnestly entreat our God, and ask for an abundance of tender mercy for our souls, and the forgiveness of our many sins.

Sticheron 2.

Your martyr Saints, O Lord, having become oblivious to life's endeavors * even disdaining the tormenting tortures all for the life which is to come, * came to be regarded its inheritors. * Therefore they exult with the angelic hosts. * Bestow upon Your people great mercy, at the fervent appeals of these Your Saints.

Sticheron 3.

If there be virtue and if there be praise, it is fitting for the Martyrs; for they bowed their necks to the broadsword for You who bowed the heavens and descended. They spilled their blood for You who emptied yourself and took

έταπεινώθησαν ἕως θανάτου, τὴν πτωχείαν σου μιμούμενοι. Ὠν ταῖς εὐχαῖς, κατὰ τὸ πλῆθος τῶν οἰκτιρμῶν σου, ὁ Θεὸς ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς.

Στιχηρὸν Δ΄.

Δένδρω ἀκάρπω ὡμοίωμαι, σχῆμα ὡς φύλλα κενά, περικείμενος ἄγιον, καὶ πτοοῦμαι Δέσποτα, μὴ ἐκκόψας ἐκπέμψῃς με, εἰς πῦρ τὸ ἄσβεστον καὶ αἰώνιον· ἀλλὰ παράσχου, ἐπιστροφῆς μοι καιρόν, ὅπως ἐνέγκω σοι, ἐναρέτων πράξεων, καρπὸν καλόν, καὶ ἀξιωθήσωμαι τῆς βασιλείας σου.

Στιχηρὸν Ε΄.

Κύριε, εὔσπλαγχνε Κύριε, τὸν σὸν οἰκέτην ἐμέ, τὸν πολλὰ παροργίζοντα, τὴν σὴν ἀγαθότητα, καθ' ἑκάστην φιλάνθρωπε, μὴ ἀπορἡίψης τοῦ σοῦ προσώπου Χριστέ, μηδὲ παιδεύσης, τῆ σῆ δικαία ὀργῆ, ἤμαρτον, ἤμαρτον, ὡς οὐδείς σοι ἕτερος, ὁμολογῶ, οἴκτειρον καὶ σῶσόν με, τῆς σῆς Μητρὸς προσευχαῖς.

Στιχηρὸν ζ΄.

Όταν καθίσης ἐν δόξη σου, ὡς Βασιλεὺς τοῦ παντός, ἐπὶ θρόνου τῆς κρίσεως, παρεστώτων φόβῳ σοι, τῶν ἀγίων Ἁγγέλων σου, καὶ παραστῆ σοι, ἡ φύσις ἄπασα, κριθησομένη, ἡ τῶν ἀνθρώπων Χριστέ, τότε δεήσεσι, τῆς Μητρός σου Κύριε, ἀπὸ πασῶν, ἡῦσαι τῶν κολάσεων, τοὺς κοιμηθέντας πιστῶς.

the form of a servant; and they let themselves be humbled, even unto death, in imitation of Your poverty. So, according to the multitude of Your tender mercies, through their prayers, O God, have mercy on us.

Sticheron 4.

I have become like the barren tree, *
wearing as valueless leaves * a demeanor
of holiness; * and I am afraid, O Lord, *
lest You chop me and send me away * to
inextinguishable eternal fire. * But grant me,
rather, a season to repent, * so that I may bring
forth * unto You the good fruits of virtuous
deeds, * and so that I might attain * unto Your
heavenly realm.

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